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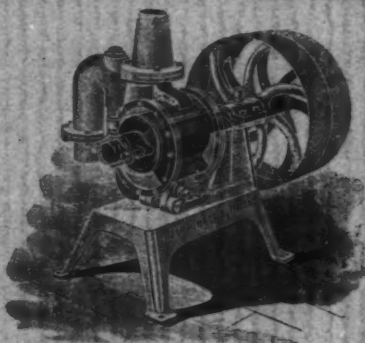
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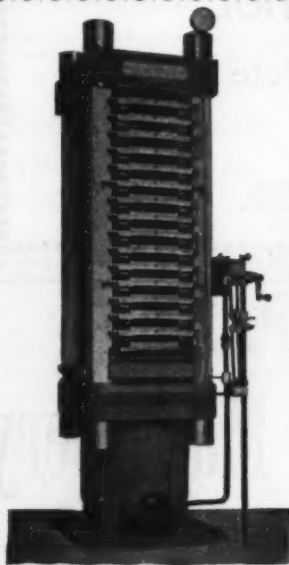
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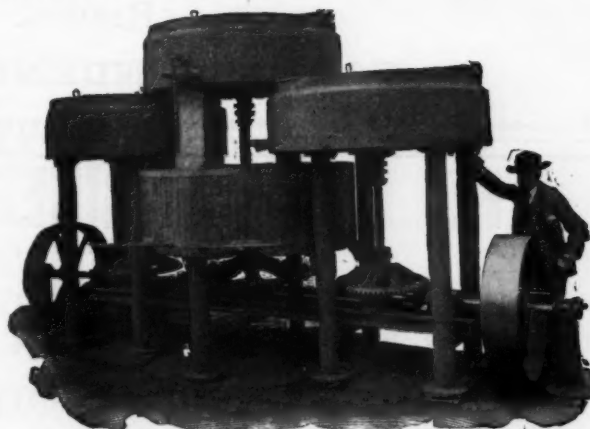
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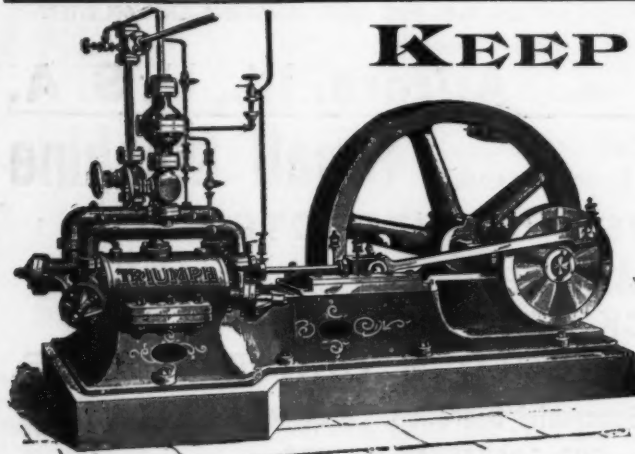
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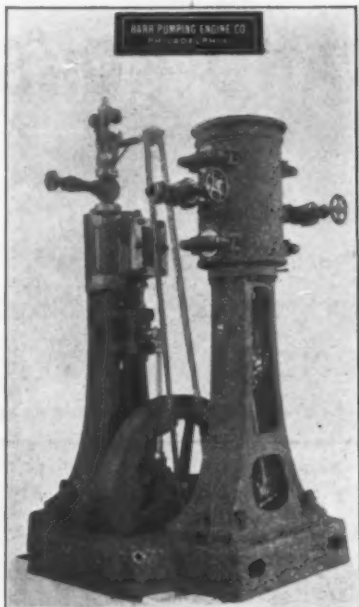


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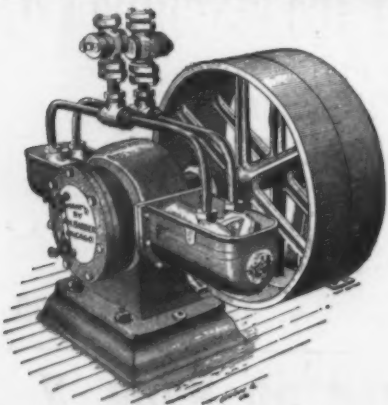
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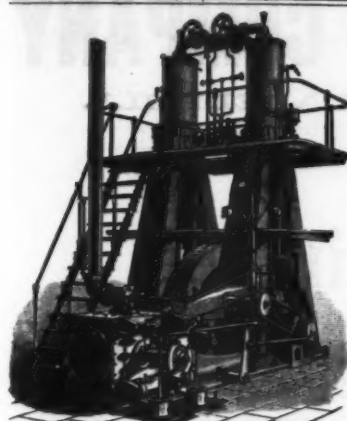
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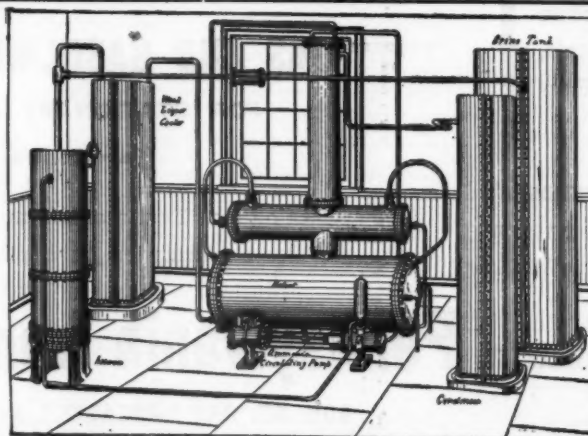
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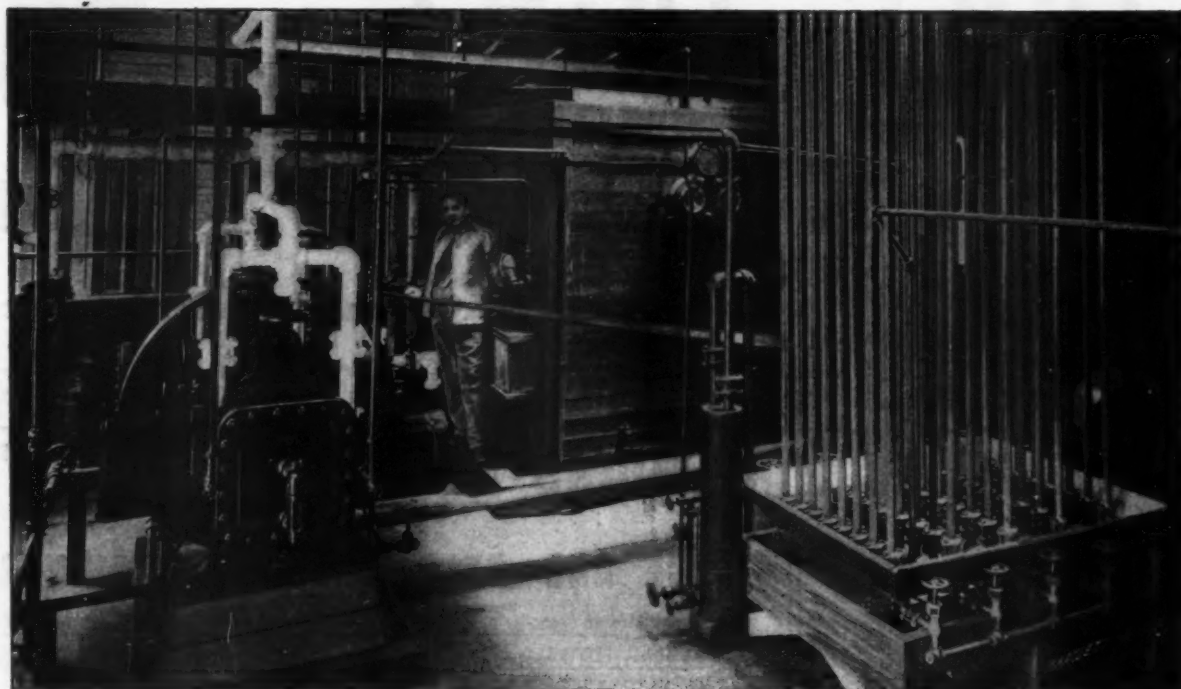
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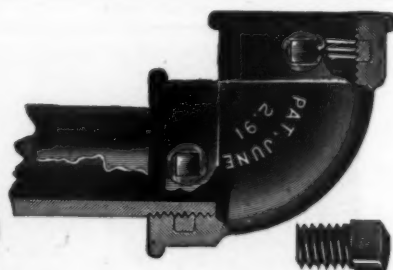
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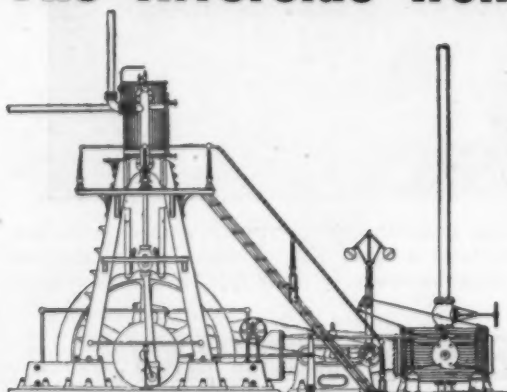
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THANKS!

Mr. Robert Ganz, the founder, and for many years managing editor of "The National Provisioner," is on his way to Europe. Before his departure he has received so many tokens of esteem and friendship and good feeling that he could not but accept them as a tribute to the valuable services which, through this paper, he has rendered to the best interests of the great trade represented by "The National Provisioner." What Mr. Ganz had neither time nor opportunity to do personally "The National Provisioner" does for him, to express our sincere thanks to all who, by their sympathy and co-operation, secured the success of our editor's journey.

In our issue of March 13, in announcing Mr. Ganz's expedition to Europe, we ventured to hope to merit a continuance of the confidence which "The National Provisioner" enjoyed from the Department of Agriculture. We are very much gratified to state that the change of the Administration has brought about no change in the friendly relations between the executive powers of the nation and the leading organ of the trade. Secretary Wilson most willingly added his full endorsement of Mr. Ganz's journey and its purposes to the introductions of the old Administration, and officially expressed his confident opinion that this latest undertaking of "The National Provisioner" will "doubtless inure to the benefit of all engaged in the traffic in these products (live animals, meat and other animal products and machinery for the assistance of those engaged in this traffic), both in the United States and in European countries." Thanks for such good opinion. It is most encouraging for the endeavor to deserve it.

THE CONSUMPTION OF MUTTON.

One of the peculiar anomalies in food consumption in the United States is the small proportion of mutton, which finds its way to the table of the average householder. Of course, there are explanations to be made for such a state of affairs, but the fact remains

nevertheless that mutton is an unknown quantity with fully one-half of the inhabitants of this country. We believe that the prejudice existing against this excellent, palatable and nourishing kind of meat is not nearly as extensive now as it has been in years past, and simply for the reason that in late years, by virtue of certain changes in the tariff laws relating to wool imports, the quality of American mutton has very materially improved, and now commends itself to the most fastidious palate. This is about as it ought to be. America is by far a greater beef-eating country than any other that we know. We are even ahead of John Bull in this respect, and everybody knows that "the roast beef of Old England" is not the least respected institution in that country. In England, however, the consumption of mutton is enormous, and importations from the Colonies to the London market are so extensive that it seems to us our friends on this side should make the great effort to place and popularize American mutton in the markets of Europe that was made and maintained in the case of our beef. When beef was first exported from America to Europe, it had all kinds of difficulties to contend with and prejudices to overcome. The quality, too, was decidedly inferior, and exporters and importers had to fight down the falsehoods promulgated by the land-owning and farming classes, who were quick to recognize that any extensive or appreciative growth of the meat importing business meant a relative lessening in the value of grazing property and in the business of stock raising—at one time an exceedingly profitable branch of English agriculture. Well, this is ancient history rather, but we want to point out that what has been possible in the introduction of American beef on the markets of Europe is likewise possible and worthy of trial in regard to American mutton. As we said before, our early exports of beef were nothing to boast of, as regards quality, but year by year, with the passing of the enormous ranch into moderately sized farms, the methods of feeding, housing, etc., have radically changed, until to-day the larger percentage of our cattle are domesticated instead of being wild. This, coupled with the efforts of exporters to seek for cattle peculiarly adapted to the English demand, has resulted in America's foothold for beef in that market to-day. American beef stands higher, or at all events, as high, in the estimate of John Bull, and he certainly is a good judge, as the home product.

We cite these facts to show the possibilities for American mutton. We think, however, that some attention should be paid to the widening of the domestic markets before foreign trade is sought for.

The conditions attending the growth of our beef and mutton industries are widely different. If circumstances generally, as well as in the matter of raising, had ever been such that the farmer found it more profitable to raise a bullock for the value of its hide totally, or almost so, regardless of its value for food, it is very likely that our beef would be no better now than it was twenty years ago, and would have no show at all on foreign markets. This has been the difficulty with our sheep. They have been raised for wool without consideration whatever for their virtue as food. The farmer has not been to blame for this. He did what paid him most, and simply figured that for wool his sheep were worth so much, and for mutton so much less. The placing of wool on the free list, however, has brought about a change in this, and it has led to a marked improvement in quality, as sheep raisers are now catering to the consumer. If these conditions continued it is possible to hope for a great future for domestic mutton, both at home and abroad.

Apologizing, we note that Professor Thomas

Shaw, of the State Experiment Farm of Minnesota, is urging upon the farmers of that State the importance of sheep raising, and in a recent call to discuss the question, had this to say:

The chief object of the meeting is to impress upon our farmers the advisability of giving attention to the feeding of sheep. To the westward on the ranges millions of sheep are being grown every year. They cross our State on the way to market. They are marketed in an unfattened condition, unless in so far as they are fed at stockyards and by the farmers of other States. Farmers in Iowa, Wisconsin and other States fatten them in large numbers. They do so because they find it profitable. In our State but little is done in this line, notwithstanding our nearness to the source of supplies, and the abundance and suitability of the foods that we grow. The business should prove profitable. It has been found so at the University State Farm, where experiments have been conducted during the past winter to test the question, and it is a business that should continue through long years in the future. It would furnish a means of consuming our cheap foods; it would make large quantities of excellent fertilizer for our lands; and it is not attended with much risk. Why then should our State not reap the benefits that will accrue?

These lines have the proper ring about them, and should receive the fullest consideration.

MEAT INSPECTION IN MINNESOTA.

Minnesota has for some time been wrestling with the question of meat inspection, and went so far at one time as to talk of shutting out the products of other States. This was, of course, intended as a blow for Chicago, Omaha and Kansas City houses which have branches in Minnesota and bring on their meats in refrigerator cars. The purpose of the bill introduced in the State Legislature dealing with the question was really to give a boom in the manner mentioned to home slaughtering and packing house operations. This idea was obviously unconstitutional and against the spirit of the interstate law. The measure was, therefore, modified, and may now become a law.

The representatives of the large Western packers who have been in Minnesota watching this matter in the interest of their respective houses, are reported as being satisfied over the result. As the bill now stands, about the only material point in it is the creation of a chief inspectorship, to be appointed by the Governor, who shall be a veterinary surgeon, and who shall get \$1,500 per annum. It also fixes the fees for inspecting at the time of slaughter: Cattle, 8 cents per head; sheep, 1 cent; swine, 1 cent per head; for inspection of slaughtered cattle, 15 cents per carcass or any part thereof; slaughtered sheep, 10 cents; hogs, 10 cents.

Microscopic inspection is to be permitted, in the discretion of the inspector-in-chief. Inspectors are forbidden to have any connection with any stockyards or packing company. A penalty is provided of \$100 fine for the sale of fresh meat, if not legally inspected, but no penalty is provided for the sale of diseased meat which may have been inspected, except that the inspector who shall wrongfully attach any license tag to meat not fresh shall be fined, instead of the owner or seller of the diseased meat.

The measure now reads like a good one, and if carried out to the letter should be a great help to the slaughtering and packing industries in Minnesota. The attempt to build a Chinese wall around the State and shut out the products of other States was conceived in foolishness and should never have had serious consideration.

The Dingley bill proposes to once more place a duty on tallow. We do not recall that any very strong protest was made when this item was placed on the free list on the passage of the Wilson bill. The change, however, affected our markets very materially, and brought prices down to a lower figure than was ever quoted before. Then for a long time, instead of continuing as heavy exporters, we became importers, and Australian product found its way here. There was even talk of bringing tallow from China. Of late these conditions have again changed, and American tallow is being exported, but not by any means so extensively as when there was a duty. Soapmakers have doubtless benefited by tallow being on the free list, but it so reduced the markets for fats that it has hardly paid to handle them. We are hardly in a position to say at this writing just how the trade generally will be affected by making tallow again dutiable.

PROVISIONS AND LARD. WEEKLY REVIEW.

AN IRREGULAR, ACTIVE MARKET has been the leading feature of the week, with raiding and covering by the shorts and selling by longs the cause of both the irregularity and activity, though there were better buyers both for short and long account than sellers on the weak spots. There has been increased activity, also, owing to the growing division of packers and speculators as to the merits of the situation and the future hog supply. Hitherto the packers have generally, in fact, almost without an exception, been on the bear side since this season began, but now the majority seem to have changed to the long side, or at least to have been buying and getting off the short side, while those still remaining on that side have fought the advance, and were enabled successfully to raid the market early in the week, owing to the disposition of longs to take their profits on the late advance, including some of the bull packers, namely, Armour and Swift, who were reported to be free sellers of ribs at the close of last week, while the Continental and International Packing Companies, as well as commission houses, were free buyers. On Monday the Anglo Company were free buyers of ribs and pork, Armour bought ribs and the Continental Company bought pork, while Cudahy's brokers were reported to be raiding the market on all the weak spots and buying on the breaks. Hence the increased activity was due to trading by packers more than to outsiders, though not wholly to the former, as there has been a widening market and increased speculation for the bull account, as it is now generally admitted that the losses of hogs by cholera last fall were much larger than believed by the trade at the time, and much nearer the estimates indicated by the Iowa State report early in the season. This latter is now confirmed by Iowa packers, who wrote during the week that there were no old hogs coming forward, they either having come in or died of cholera, while the new ones coming forward are light in weight, as well as less in numbers, than usual at this

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season. This, no doubt, is the condition in other States, as well as in Iowa, as light receipts and decreasing weights have been universal, and both are still falling off. Yet, in spite of this continued falling off in receipts of hogs, compared with a year ago, and last month (estimates having run daily over the receipts), the visible supply of lard, especially, has been sufficient to keep that product from advancing as rapidly as pork and ribs, while some old longs took advantage of the strength in the latter to sell out the former early in the week. This selling was credited to Kent and his followers, who dropped a pretty large line on Monday and some more on Tuesday, while others sold on stop loss orders. It was this that enabled Cudahy to break the market; but before the close on Tuesday the loss had been nearly or all recovered, and in the case of pork and lard, $2\frac{1}{2}$ c. more, though ribs were $2\frac{1}{2}$ @5c. off for the day. This rally was helped somewhat by that in wheat, as the decline early in the week was, by the break in that staple, causing realization by the longs in both. Of course, the bad condition of roads West, owing to floods, has helped reduce the receipts of hogs, but it has also prevented shipments of products from the packing points and caused dullness in cash demand. This is especially true of the South and Southwest, from which a good part of interior trade has come. It is estimated that stocks of lard on the first of the month will show a small increase at Chicago, but this is due rather to the fact that far Western packers have been shipping their lard to Chicago, rather than to increased packing at that point. But stocks of pork and ribs are not expected, it is claimed, to vary materially from last month. Export demand for bellies at the seaboard was much larger a week ago than reported, as sales were not given out until shippers had secured the bulk of stocks in the New York market, of which they took between 400 and 500 boxes last week, mostly for Northern Europe, in place of dry cured bacon at the West, which was relatively 1c. a lb higher than pickled bellies in New York; hence their purchases in the latter market, though at the close of the week bellies had advanced to within $\frac{1}{2}$ @ $\frac{1}{2}$ c. parity with dry salted bacon West. The English markets also took some, and, together with the Continent, cleaned up nearly all the 12-lb and clear bellies in New York, on account of which prices have been held higher since. Outside of this exporters have been quiet, having taken little lard, either refined or raw, for Europe, though

South America and the West Indies have been good buyers of refined. Otherwise cash trade has been light, as Eastern buyers of meats are still running on deliveries of old purchases made in the West, being unable to buy more, except at an advance, which was asked by the Western packers in view of the increased cost of hogs, while they are holding confidently for higher prices, on the now admitted light supply of mature hogs in the country and reduced estimates of the number of young hogs raised last year. Stocks in Europe, however, are still ample, though they are expected to show more reduction this month than hitherto, as native supplies are now pretty generally out of the way, and consumption will be thrown more generally upon American products than for the last four months. Yet the other side seems in no haste to buy, apparently taking less stock in our advance even than has been accorded it here. There is nothing further new in the situation of hog products, for spot or future delivery, though the bullish sentiments seems to be gaining ground, and there is more appearance of speculative interest on the part of packers in Chicago, with the belief in some quarters that there is a big short interest on the part of a few of them, and a large long interest on the part of others, and that manipulation will soon be seen in these markets with a lively fight between these rival interests, led by Cudahy on the bear and Armour on the bull side. The action of the markets this week have given color to this belief, and some well-posted commission houses in Chicago predict lively times before long in these markets, especially for May delivery, in which there is believed to be the largest short interest, which is liable to be squeezed.

On Saturday receipts of hogs in Chicago were only 8,000, against 12,000 estimated, and 5@10c. up generally in the West, while products were irregular, declining 10c. on pork, to recover 5c. of it for the day, closing 5c. off, while lard and ribs closed unchanged. Cash lard, New York, was held at 4.45c. nominal, city 4.20c. bid, 4.25c. asked; pork unchanged; hogs stronger. Included in the sale of about 500 boxes of city bellies, noted above, reported last Saturday, were 14 to 16 lb at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c., and 12-lb at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ @5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c., boxed.

On Monday receipts of hogs in Chicago were 21,000, against 25,000 estimated, and 43,000 West, against 42,000 a year ago. Products broke on selling by longs and raiding by shorts 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. for pork, 15c. for ribs and 10c. for lard for the day, while hogs were unchanged, to 5c. up, and $\frac{1}{2}$ c. better in

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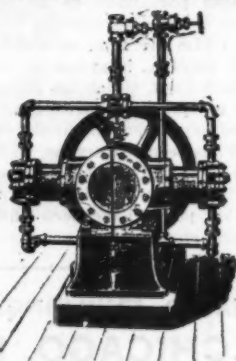
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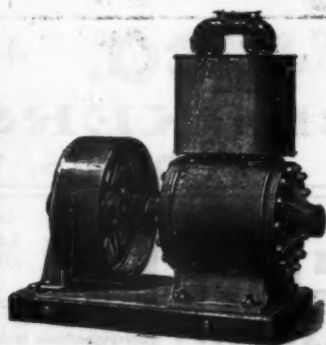
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New York. Spot lard was offered at 4.40c., New York, in tierces, and at 4.17½c. in tanks, while city was bid 4.15c. and 4.20c. asked, with small sales at the latter figure early. Refined for the Continent was easier at 4.75c., South America steady at 4.05c. and Brazil at 6.15c. in kegs. Meats were held higher and checked business in New York, though a little more was doing in the West for the Eastern markets, one car 16-lb hams, spot, 8½c., Chicago; two cars skinned hams, May and June, and two cars California ditto, July and August, private terms, in Chicago, with five cars of green hams at 7¼@7½c. for 16, 8½c. for 14, and 7½@8c. for 12, to come to New York.

On Tuesday pork broke 15c. more in Chicago, but recovered it, and closed 2½c. higher for the day; lard broke 7½c. and recovered 10c.; ribs broke 5c. and closed at the bottom on active trading all around. Receipts of hogs were only 11,000, however, at Chicago, against 18,000 estimated, and 44,000 West, against 48,000 a year ago. Yet with these light receipts the hog market was manipulated down 5c., except at Kansas City, where the biggest receipts were reported, 12,000, and prices 5c. up; 250 tcs. of Western lard were sold in New York, in tanks, on the basis of 4.37½c.; two tanks early at 4.12½c., and three later at 4.17½c., closing at the latter price, with city bid 4.15c., 4.20c. asked. There was a better business also in neutral lard, 250 tcs. of Eastern ditto selling at 5¼c., New York, export, and 75 tcs. of very choice ditto at the same price, though under the market; 2,000 pieces 12-lb city pickled hams, 9c.; 10,000 lb 14-lb ribbed bellies, 5¼c., loose.

On Wednesday receipts of hogs were 19,000 in Chicago, against 20,000 estimated, and 55,000 West, against 67,000 last year, with a firm market. Pork opened 5c. off, lost 5c. more on the same influences as noted Monday and Tuesday, but recovered 15c., to close finally 2½c. up for the day, after an active trading; lard opened 2½c. off, but recovered 5c., closing 2½c. up for the day, and at the top, while ribs opened unchanged, lost 5c. and recovered 7½c. Spot markets in New York were strong but quiet, Western lard 4.45c., city 4.20c., with small sales of meats and pork at former quotations.

Beef products have been quiet and steady at old prices, with a fair export trade in canned goods. Mr. Bailey, the manager of the Jersey City Packing Co., returned during the week from a two months' trip in Europe, and reports trade in beef on the other side rather slow, without very much prospect of improvement. Sales of the week in New York were 300 tcs. and 500 bbis. at the range for extra India mess and packet and family. Hams still firm at \$18 West and \$19 New York, cost and freight.

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LIVERPOOL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, March 26—4:15 P. M.—Bacon steady; demand poor: Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lb, 20s.; short rib, 20 to 24 lb, 28s. 6d.; long clear, light, 35 to 38 lb, 27s. 6d.; long clear, heavy, 40 to 45 lb, 27s.; short clear backs, light, 18 lb, 26s. 6d.; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lb, 25s. 6d.; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lb, 20s. 6d. Shoulders—Square, 12 to 18 lb, 24s. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lb, 43s. Tallow—Fine North American, 18s. 6d. Beef—Extra India mess, 56s. 3d.; prime mess, 47s. 6d. Pork—Prime mess fine Western, 50s.; medium Western, 45s. Lard quiet; prime Western, 22s.; refined in pails, 24s. Cheese firm; demand moderate; finest American white and colored, 57s. 6d. Butter—Finest United States, 90s.; good, 55s. Cottonseed Oil—Liverpool refined, 15s. 3d. Linseed Oil, 15s. Refrigerator Beef—Forequarter, 4½d.; hindquarter, 6d.

PROPOSALS.

OFFICE OF LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR, Third District, at Tompkinsville, N. Y. March 13, 1897.—Proposals will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. on Tuesday, the 13th day of April, 1897, for furnishing and delivering provisions for vessels and light stations in this district. Forms of proposals and printed instructions giving full particulars as to the articles required and to the terms of delivery and payment can be obtained at this office. The bidder in every case must furnish, with his bid, a certified check in a sum equal to 3 per cent. of the amount of the bid. The check is to be drawn to the order of the Secretary of the Treasury, and in the case of an unsuccessful bidder, it will be returned to him after the award is made. It will be returned to the successful bidder when his contract is signed and approved by the Department. If he should fail to make the contract, the certified check deposited by him shall become the property of the United States. The right is reserved to reject the whole or part of any or all bids, and to waive any defects, and to increase or diminish during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, the quantities of any item or article named in the specifications. A clause to this effect will be inserted in the contract. A. S. SNOW, Comdr. U. S. N., Light-House Inspector.

TALLOW AND STEARINE. WEEKLY REVIEW.

TALLOW.—A dull, firm market has been the only feature at New York so far this week, but there was a higher market at Chicago at the close of last week, packers having held choice No. 1 at 4c. until they forced some of the soap men to pay that price for fair amounts, it was said, although only 500 tcs. were reported up to the close of last Saturday. Yet early this week advices from Chicago said liberal sales had been made at that figure, and moderates ones of No. 2 packers' somewhere between 2¼@3c., both prices being named in letters from there, though 2¼@2½c. were the more generally credited figures, as the demand from soap makers has been more for choice tallow than for this grade, and hence the advance greater on the former. Yet no figures have been given as to the aggregate sales at 4c., and the failure of Eastern markets to sympathize, and lack of further purchases reported there, leaves some doubt as to any big business having been done there at 4c. It looks more like a held market than an active one, at that advance. Certainly there has been no improvement reported in the soap trade, and nothing in it to warrant higher prices for tallow, unless soap makers were out of stocks, which is not generally credited, in view of their big purchases late last fall and their dull trade since. The New York market, as stated, has utterly failed to respond to the strength West, either in country or city stock, as the soap makers have taken as little of the former as of late, not over 50,000 to 60,000 lb a day so far this week, at 3¼c. for fair stock, and 3½c. for strictly prime, 3¾c. for so-called edible, though for soap making purposes, while they have refused to bid over 3¼c. for prime city, which has been offered, though held steadily

at 3¾c., at which English shippers took 150 hhds. midweek and the local trade 50 more. This was everything reported up to the close of Wednesday in city tallow since our last, while the aggregate sales of country for the four days have not been 200,000 lb, so far as reported. The English market, however, only takes special brands, while the French markets have not been heard from, and exporters say that they have even received no cables on tallow, those markets being utterly indifferent as to our markets, notwithstanding the reports of the prospect of an increased duty by France, in retaliation for the proposed increase in tariff in this country. This is all so far of interest or in the shape of business in this staple. Wednesday's sales in London were three-quarters of the offerings of 1,500 casks, and the price was 3d. higher, which is the only encouraging feature reported from the other side, except that Germany took late last week 100 tcs. of white mutton tallow at 3 15-16c.

STEARINES have been almost a blank since our last, both oleo and lard, East and West, the former having been offered at 4½c. in both markets, with only peddling lots sold at those prices in either, while stocks are accumulating slightly, though pressers are running near their minimum production, and are holding steadily in the belief that compound lard refiners will soon be in the market again. There has been nothing reported in Western lard stearine since the close of our last, when 250 tcs. were taken at 4.55c. Chicago, to come to New York, and the market there has not been below 4½c. since, and 4¾c. New York, while city has been held at 5c. in tierces and 4¾c. in hogsheads, with a fair business reported, chiefly to local refiners, who have been doing a good business in pure lard to South America and the West Indies. Sales so far, however, have only been reported of a few 25,000-lb lots of oleo at 4¾c., both New York and Chicago. Grease stearines have been firmly held at 4½c. for yellow and 4¾c. for white, while it is understood that shippers would have paid ¼c. less, but no business has been reported.

OLEO OILS have been almost nominal so far as reported, up to this writing, as stocks in Rotterdam have been very light and that market too bare to admit of any activity, while the arrivals have been small and taken up as soon as received. On Monday 100 of Harrison's was reported at 39 florins, with other brands ranging from 35 to 38 florins for small lots, at which range the market was quoted, until Wednesday, when sales of 37 florins, without particulars as to brand or amount, were received by cable.

ANIMAL OILS are firm, as noted in our last for lard, 40@42c., in sympathy with the market for lard itself, which has remained at or near the top prices of last week, with a fair home and export demand at the advance. Neatsfoot oil has been featureless, with a limited demand and supply, at old figures. There has been a little more inquiry from tanners for degreas, but prices have been unchanged and the market steady.

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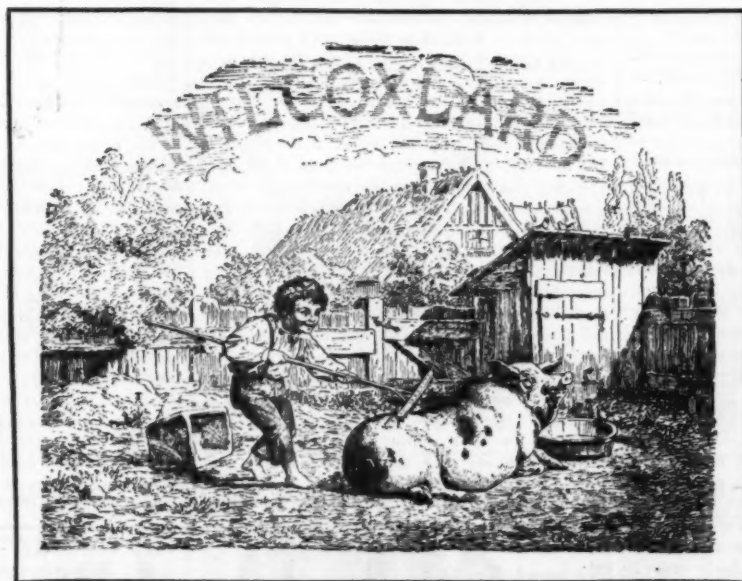


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GREASES have been reported quiet East both for export and local trade, and also at the West, though held rather firmer there on account of the advance in choice tallow, but the demand from the soap makers does not seem to be active for the low grades of stock, while exporters have confined their operations to filling small orders at the seaboard at barely steady prices.

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KANSAS CITY LETTER.

The stock records for the past week give cattle, hogs and sheep higher. The receipts for past week with comparisons:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Kansas City	24,881	50,151	17,738
Cor. week 1896.....	23,967	47,346	24,959
Cor. week 1895.....	24,907	40,960	14,353
Cor. week 1894.....	27,271	47,372	11,195
Chicago	41,300	124,200	64,000
Omaha	11,800	25,300	16,500
St. Louis	9,100	34,500	9,700
Kansas City.....	24,900	50,200	17,700

Total	87,100	234,100	107,900
Previous week.....	87,400	232,700	108,900
Cor. week 1896.....	100,000	257,700	96,100
Cor. week 1895.....	80,400	272,400	62,700
Cor. week 1894.....	98,800	256,500	77,800
Cor. week 1893.....	97,300	151,600	73,600

Kansas City packers' slaughter:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Armour Pack. Co.	3,597	16,940	4,457
Swift & Co.	5,612	13,850	8,412
S. & S. Co.	4,280	2,278	1,558
J. Dold Pack. Co.	451	6,753	231
Fowler, Son & Co.	114	7,197	..

Total	14,072	47,100	14,719
Previous week.....	11,037	48,383	13,934
Cor. week 1896.....	14,527	44,954	15,810
Cor. week 1895.....	13,843	35,584	7,550

Reports from the Northwestern ranges very conflicting as regards to losses. Some give a dreary tale of woe and decimation—and newspaper reports would make the losses of Pierre Wibaux, the cattle king of Montana and Dakota, as \$1,000,000—that last year he put 250,000 young Utah cattle on range, and now all are dead. But this lacks confirmation. When one gives the report of 75 per cent. of range cattle in the Dakotas dead, the balance of the world may take such reports with a very great big pinch of salt. Then come other reliable men who have been over other ranges in Dakota. One writes: "I have not seen over half a dozen dead cattle." Another: "Made a lengthy trip on the Little Missouri range, and did not see a dead critter on entire trip." In the meanwhile Texas reports a sale of 1,500 head of two-year-old steers, extra good quality and breeding, at \$26 per head; this price reported as the highest price ever paid for a big bunch of two-year-olds. It is very noticeable the absence of cows in the arrivals of Texas cattle now coming to the yards. Thousands of fine bulls passed into Texas in the past twelve months, and breeders of fancy bulls report an enormous trade for Texas alone. The wild Texas "ranger" and "canner" and "scalawag" will soon be a shadow of the past; they have been getting scarcer every year, and in a few more one may hope to see such never again. Brother McKinley's little bill has a sop in it for the cattle raiser, putting a duty of \$6 per head on all cattle crossing the line of Old Mexico. Reports come from the great State of Chihuahua that cattle are not as plentiful as in former years; by the bye, it is said the largest individual cattle holder in the world lives in that State—he owns, right out, 160,000 head of cattle. If late despatches from Wyoming and the report of the secretary of the State Board of Stock Commissioners of Montana are well founded, it may be just as well to let the Old Mexico cattle come in free. "On the Upper Platte range the cold weather of the past few days very disastrous—and even wolves very troublesome, in some cases killing full-grown steers." The secretary

writes: "Unless relief comes at once the loss will be the heaviest in years." Perchance patience in waiting for the spring accounts better suitable to pocketbook than speculating in high price cattle based on present accounts of large losses. However, the prices paid on cattle last week good all along the line. Eastman, for the sake of Johnny Bull, paid \$5.10 for some 1,611-lb Herefords and Shorthorns, and the United Dressed Beef Co. paid \$5.10 for some fine 1,469-lb average; Meyer paid \$4.85 for some 1,438-lb average, Eastman \$4.90 for some 1,467-lb average, Red Pollard and black cattle; Schwarzschild purchased some fine 1,425-lb average at \$4.65; Hammond, same price for 1,512-lb average. In fact, the sales of fat cattle during past week kept well over the \$4.50 line.

Cows and heifers, both native and range, in very moderate supply—sold well and quickly. Cows going as high as \$3.50—a few sales \$3.60, but only a few. Heifers of 923-lb average sold to Swift at \$3.80; some Southwestern heifers, 801-lb average, at \$3.75; some New Mexican heifers, finished in Kansas, 773-lb average, at \$3.70—both lots sold to Swift. Texas heifers, 696-lb average, sold at \$3.65; fed Texas steers of 1,308-lb average at \$4.20, sold to Armour; some fed Texas, 1,172-lb average, at \$4.20, sold to Dold Packing Co.; quite a bunch of New Mexican steers, Kansas fed, sold to Armour at \$4.05; the common run of Texas well-fed ran up to \$3.65 to \$3.80; cows of 904-lb average, \$3.25. Feeder trade only curtailed by quantity; an assorted lot sold at \$4.85. Some choice heavy fed, taken to finish, at \$4.40, and some choice run of calves, 463-lb average, sold at \$4.65. It is expected that farmers will hold on to their stock this year as long as possible, with plenty of grain in sight. Though tempted by high prices, a good many feeders send in their half-fattened cattle to realize on that cost them much less in price four months ago. A story is told—be it true or not, is a question—of a farmer who purchased some low-priced cattle, fed them with corn, they were nearly finished. The old man, the old lady and the boys came to the conclusion, better ship the cattle and realize on the present handsome profit. They shipped; the cattle purchased by a daring speculator on an excited market; the old man, who came alone to market, tickled to death at the profit. He wanted to buy some good feeders, but several days passed without "purchasing—could not find just what he wanted to make good money out of the corn at home. He gave the job to a commission man, who sent the old man home, rejoicing with three loads of steers. To be sure, he had to pay $\frac{1}{4}$ c. more than his own cattle sold for, with the other little charges. He arrived, told the boys the good news, and they all felt happy over the amount made on the former lot. They commenced unloading the steers; the boys looked at the steers, then at one another, then at the old man, who imagined somehow that these steers had a terrible familiar look about them. As the steers came out of the cars the old man's jaw fell lower and lower, and one may guess his heart was in his boots when his boys roared out: "Dad, these is the same dog-goned cattle you took away!" The old man looked toward the farm house—there was the old lady coming down, with a smile on her bewezened features, to see the new cattle—there was more of a prayer than command in the old man's cry: "Boys! they surely is, but don't

ye never tell mother!" Now, the above tale is vouched for by that truth-telling young stock writer on the Salt Lake Tribune—and you know the saints "never tell no lies."

Shipments of feeders to the country 232 cars, with 336 cars previous week and 171 cars corresponding week 1896. Shipments of exports 140 cars, against 120 cars previous week, and 85 cars corresponding week in 1896. The principal outside purchasers for the week: Eastman 904 head, Swift 338 head, Hammond 259 head, United Dressed Beef Co. 184, Schwarzschild & Sulzberger 434, Krauss 352, Michael 151, Balling 90 and Kaufman & Strauss 107 head.

At last we have a \$4.12½ hog—and a very good article it is—the highest price since Jan. 28, 1896. Now may such a hog continue long in the land. Durling first part of week some complaint of a poor run, and some poor Southern hogs went to the block at \$2.25. Pigs for the week had a wide range from \$3 to \$3.65, Yorkers from \$3.55 to \$3.90. Light hogs, Monday, \$3.65 to \$3.90, steadily up to \$3.80 to \$4.05. Mixed packing to prime medium started Monday at \$3.80 to \$3.90, steadily to \$3.90 to \$3.95, a setback on Friday in extreme ranges, but ending Saturday at the \$4.12½ mark. Heavy hogs kept up a steady upward pace, Monday \$3.80 to \$3.95, and halted Friday at \$3.95 to \$4.07½. The tops for the week showed a steady gain of 17½c. per 100 lb over Monday's opening sales—they started out \$3.95 Monday and closed Saturday's noon sale at \$4.12½. The bulk on Monday opened \$3.85 to \$3.90, tipped Wednesday a value of \$3.95 to \$4—the packers then tried to give them a black eye with \$3.90 to \$3.95, but the American hog laughed the foemen to scorn, and grunted its way Saturday noon, if not to the packers' affections, to the packers' pocketbook, to the tune of \$3.95 to \$4.05. The packers know well they can slaughter that hog on Monday morning, but whether they can slaughter that price is a much-mooted question just now—and it is to be hoped they cannot. Low-priced goods are not profitable—it would be better for every man, woman and child in the States that the price was \$5, instead of \$3.50. No margins for any person on low-priced goods. Shipments of hogs for week 2,370 head. Mexico out of market. Chicago took five cars, Omaha—bless the mark—three cars, and Ottumwa four cars. The average for the week the lightest for the year, only 215 lb; previous week 219 lb and corresponding week 1896 gave 236 lb.

The sheep market gave some signs of strength, though not to any pronounced amount. Native lambs of 89 lb average sold at \$5; some 110-lb average at \$4.80; Colorado lambs, 68-lb average, \$4.45; a bunch, 65-lb, at \$4.65; some Colorado yearlings, 82-lb, \$4.05, and 105-lb, also \$4.05; some Montanas, 105-lb, at \$3.80; New Mexican lambs, 65-lb, at \$4.55; some choice Idaho muttons purchased by Swift and Company, 130-lb average, at \$4; Dold Packing Co. also purchased some at same price; Utah, 116-lb average, sheep, at \$3.75. A good clearance made—trash and everything going to clearance. The statement that the Sydney (New South Wales) ram President sold for \$8,000 brought the highest price ever paid is contradicted by the American Sheep Breeder—a \$16,250 ram, a Merino, sold in Victoria some years ago. A Lincolnshire ram sold in Melbourne in 1873 for the modest sum of \$15,750.

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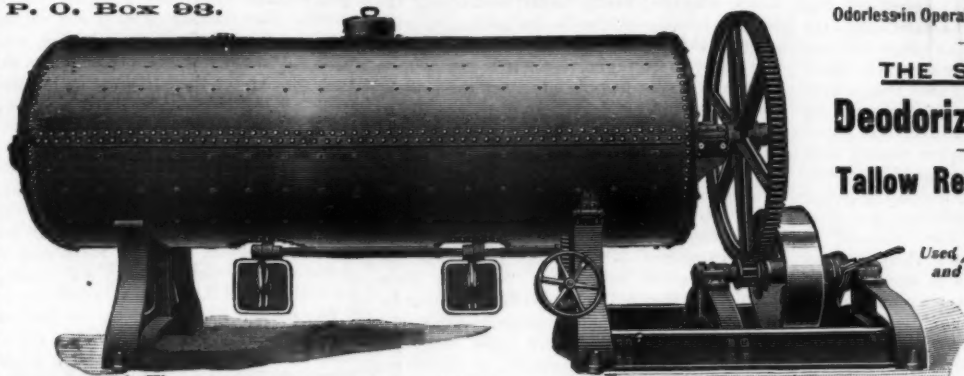
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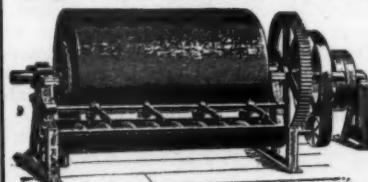
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HIDE AND SKIN MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

PACKER HIDES.—Traffic has been much more active this week than last, and present indications point to an advance of from 20 to 25 per cent. on short-haired hides. Stock continues in very limited supply and first selections are in demand at a premium. The scarcity may in a measure be ascribed to the fact that 75 per cent. of the range animals have succumbed to the severe weather. Many buyers seem possessed of the idea that a drop in prices will be a condition of the early future, but to the unbiased element this seems a fallacious theory. Firm prices usually constitute food for suspicion among hide buyers. The sooner they learn that a waiting policy does not apply under all conditions, and that it has frequently involved the "waiters" in painful losses, the better for their general prosperity. We do not mean to say that premature purchase may not be a factor to loss, but that discrimination as to "the accepted time" to buy is a material requisite of success. We quote:

No. 1 NATIVE STEERS, 60 lb and up, 9½¢. for all weights. About 7,000 have been sold at this price.

No. 1 BUTT-BRANDED, 60 lb and up, have been sold at 8¼¢@8½¢., and are in fair demand at the latter quotation.

COLORADO STEERS, 60 lb and up, are in limited supply, and are in good demand at 7¼¢@7½¢.

No. 1 TEXAS, 60 lb and up, are being readily sold at 8¼¢@8½¢.

No. 1 NATIVE COWS, 55 lb and up, free of grubs and brands, are in good demand at 8½¢; under 55 lb the request is fairly active at 9¼¢.

BRANDED COWS are sold readily at 8½¢@8½¢.

NATIVE BULLS are in good demand at 7½¢., while No. 2s are firm at 6¢.

COUNTRY HIDES are in very limited supply, arriving in the market in installments. At present prices the margins to dealers are so small that there is but little incentive for them to devote the time necessary to obtain them, and comparatively few are to be had, any way. To view the situation from a conservative standpoint, quotations seem likely to remain very firm, and there are not wanting those who claim that an advance in the early future is inevitable.

No. 1 BUFF HIDES, 40 to 60 lb, free of grubs and brands, are strong at 8¼¢; No. 2s, 7½¢; No. 1 continue scarce, while No. 2s are in fair supply.

No. 1 EXTREMES, 25 to 40 lb, are firm at ¼¢@½¢., No. 2s at 8¼¢.

No. 1 NATIVE STEERS, 60 lb and up, free of grubs and brands, sell readily at 8¼¢; No. 2s, 7¼¢. Continues in limited supply.

HEAVY COWS, 60 lb and up, free of grubs and brands, are sold at 8¼¢; No. 2s, 7¼¢.

BRANDED STEERS are offering at 7¼¢@7½¢.

BRANDED COWS are in good request at 7¼¢@7½¢.

NATIVE BULLS are in light supply, and do not sell readily. They are quoted at 7¢. for No. 1s and 6¢. for No. 2s.

CALFSKINS, 7 to 15 lb, are in very light demand, a few cars having been sold at 11¼¢. for city. The accumulation is light and few are coming into the market.

KIPS, 15 to 25 lb, are light in supply and demand, and sold at 9¼¢. for No. 1s and 8¢. for No. 2s.

DEACONS sell at 40¢@45¢., according to weight. They are slow sellers.

SLUNKS, 25¢.

HORSE HIDES in fair demand at \$2.75@ \$2.85.

KANSAS CITY.

As the big fish in the tanner pool still swallows the packer hide man laugheth in his heart, and all is bright as the mid-day sun—and if Brother McKinley's bar'l of prosperity is full indeed, and enough to go round and give all hands a little to do, the packer man can continue his rejoicing. Still, we have seen him on such heights before—aye, tumble down—and that pretty badly, and should the leather trade continue in its present halting manner there may be a withdrawal from the market of more tanners—for it seems to be a fact that unless leather advances the present prices too high by ¼¢. to ½¢. per lb—still the selling keeps right along—somehow the Texas, butts and Colorado steers go steadily out of the cellars almost before they are cured—and a pack of branded cows remaining in the cellar is getting to be scarcer than "hen's teeth," as one of the packer salesmen aptly expresses it. He also says that the present market prices are "stronger than boarding house butter!" Well, they may be in more ways than one—especially when the poor tanner gets the butter home and tries to eat it. But we must take the world as we find it—just now prices are good and hides are poor, so that if packer and tanner come near to a trading point, better "swap" the goods to mutual advantage, even if a little fraction concession. It is hard to find a substitute for sole leather—but leather for upper purposes can be made from many things—and a good many substitutes will be found to take the cowhide's place.

BOSTON.

This market is characterized by increased firmness, despite the fact that the disposition to buy is light. We quote:

NEW ENGLAND HIDES are firm at 8¼¢. flat.

CALFSKINS are in small supply with a decided tendency to advance.

PHILADELPHIA.

A firm market, lighter business and small acquisitions constitute the situation here. We quote:

CITY STEERS, 8¢@8¼¢.

CITY COWS, 7½¢@8¢.

COUNTRY STEERS, 7½¢@8¢.

COUNTRY COWS, 7¢@7½¢.

BULLS, CITY, 7¢@7½¢.

CALFSKINS.—Increased receipts, market less firm.

NEW YORK.

HIDES.—Receipts are sold on arrival at current quotations. The "company" is the principal buyer of the green salted city product. We quote:

No. 1 NATIVE STEERS, 60 lb and up, 9¼¢; grubby, 8½¢.

No. 1 BUTT-BRANDED STEERS, 60 lb and up, 8¼¢.

SIDE-BRANDED STEERS, 60 lb and up, 7¼¢@7½¢.

COWS, 7¼¢@8¼¢.

BULLS, 7¼¢@7½¢.; branded, 5½¢.

COUNTRY COWS, 8¢.

CALFSKINS, 11¼¢. for No. 1s.

HORSE SIDES, \$2.60@ \$2.75.

SUMMARY.

The passive conditions by which the hide and skin markets are at present distinguished leave little to be said in regard to them. To sum the matter up concisely, hides are extremely scarce, prices very strong and the prospects of increased supply at an early date particularly remote. Just when the market will be eased or just what conditions will contribute to a more generous supply, are a matter of pure conjecture. It would be the wildest fiction to advance any opinion on these subjects. It would seem from the conservative disposition manifested by hide buy-

ers that they intend emulating the policy of the loquacious and sanguine Micawber, the chief expectation of whose existence was that something might "turn up." Tanners claim that their trade will warmly antagonize an advance, and that the present season is a most unpropitious time to ask any increase. This is doubtless all true, but the fact remains that the present price of hides must (if they continue) exert an influence over leather values. The tanning element are not in business for the benefit of their health, and they will be compelled in self-protection to demand such a price for their product as is consistent with a living profit. As there is a comparatively limited accumulation of hides, few holders would derive any advantage from having purchased at old prices were the advance to occur next week. If a change in prices takes place it must be a general one, consequently the average tanner will be on a competitive basis with his neighbors, so far as the change in prices would affect him.

CHICAGO PACKER HIDES—

We quote: Native steers, 60 lb and up, 9¼¢; butt-branded, 60 lb and up, 8¼¢@8½¢.; Colorado steers, 60 lb and up, 7½¢@7¾¢.; Texas, 60 lb and up, 8¼¢.; branded cows, 8½¢@8¾¢.; No. 1 native steers, 55 lb and up, 8½¢.; light, 9¼¢.; native bulls, 7¼¢@8¢.; branded, 5½¢@6¢.

CHICAGO COUNTRY HIDES—

No. 1 buff hides, 40 to 60 lb, 8¼¢.; No. 2s, 7½¢.; No. 1 extremes, 25 to 40 lb, 8¼¢@9¢.; No. 2s, 8¼¢.; No. 1 native steers, 60 lb and up, 8¼¢.; No. 2s, 7¼¢.; branded steers, 7¼¢@7½¢.; heavy cows, 60 lb and up, No. 1s, 8¢@8¼¢.; No. 2s, 7¢@7¼¢.; branded cows, 7¼¢@7½¢.; native bulls, No. 1s, 7¢.; No. 2s, 6¢.; calfskins, 11¼¢.; kips, 9½¢@9¾¢.; deacons, 40¢@45¢.; slunks, 25¢.; horse hides, \$2.75@ \$2.85.

No. 1 natives, 60 lb and up, 9¼¢.; grubbys, 8½¢.; butt-branded steers, 60 lb and up, 8¼¢@8½¢.; side-branded steers, 60 lb and up, 7¼¢@7½¢.; cows, 7¼¢@8¼¢.; bulls, 7¼¢@7½¢.; country cows, 8¢.; country calfskins, 11¼¢.

BOSTON—

Buff hides, 8½¢.; New England hides, 8¼¢.

PHILADELPHIA—

Country steers, 8¢.; country cows, 7½¢.; country bulls, 6¢.

HIDELETS.

Nathan Allen, of N. R. Allen's Sons, Kenosha, Wis., a well-known hide buyer, visited the swamp this week.

G. A. Vail, hide buyer for the United States Leather Co., has returned from Chicago. Mr. Vail went away not expecting to buy, but was tempted while in Chicago to buy three cars of country branded hides.

W. G. Lapham, the well-known hide broker, will remove his office from 9 Ferry street to 60 Gold street, fifth floor.

Ten thousand branded hides were sold in the New York market this week on private terms by Kansas City parties.

* It is reported that a wealthy New York syndicate, headed by Solon Humphrey, who has interested J. Pierpont Morgan and others, is getting ready to establish an immense beef canning establishment in Mexico, if the cattle duties proposed by the Dingley bill are enacted into a law. As the law now stands there is a big profit in bringing lean Mexican cattle across the Texas border and fattening them for the Northern market. The new bill will shut these cattle out of our markets, and compel the Mexican owners to find a new outlet. Humphrey's syndicate will have a million-dollar concession from Mexico, which they propose to utilize for cattle-raising purposes, and in connection with this they propose to put \$1,000,000 into a beef cannery. The establishment they are planning will compete with the output of the Chicago and Kansas City firms to foreign markets. Later—Mr. Humphrey said Thursday that he knew of no such project. He had heard the rumor that a large canning establishment is to be built in Tampico.

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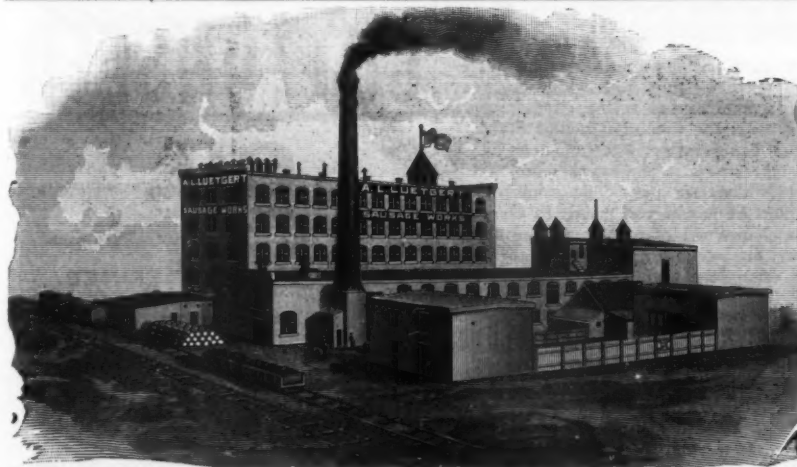
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NEW YORK PRODUCE EXCHANGE NOTES.

Mr. Jos. C. Bailey, manager of the Jersey City Packing Co., was on 'Change this week after a two months' absence in Europe, and says that the beef trade is not in very encouraging shape on the other side, either present or prospective.

Membership tickets are in a better position and prices are correspondingly higher. Asking prices are now at from \$225 to \$250. This is a little encouraging, although very considerable betterment is yet needed before prices will be on anything approaching a satisfactory valuation basis. The long-deferred trade boom, when here, will doubtless favorably affect the prices of membership tickets. It can't come any too soon!

The certificates standing in the names of Benjamin O. Thomas and P. R. Schoening will be sold at auction in the Exchange reading room on April 14 at 2:30 P. M.

Among the visitors we noticed during the week were T. Mendey, New York, introduced by Mr. C. Rabidan, and W. L. Green, Jr., St. Louis, introduced by W. P. Callaghan; also Walter Fitch and A. W. Allen, of Chicago, by H. G. Gibbs, and C. W. Brega, Chicago, by W. H. Wallace.

The following gentlemen were proposed for membership: Justin Mends, proposed by I. Rabidan; Owen Forgysson, by W. H. Guimares, and L. T. Carney, by Wells Finch.

SAFE DEPOSIT VAULTS.

A visit to the safe deposit vaults in the basement of the New York Produce Exchange would well repay any of our readers who have never examined them. This is distinctly a Produce Exchange enterprise, almost the entire capital stock—\$150,000—belonging to members of the Exchange. Established in 1883, the business has steadily grown until it is now one of the most successful of the Exchange institutions, and with this increase has been a constant endeavor on the part of the management to improve the system of safeguards. The great vault, one of the largest of the kind, has never been surpassed in strength, and the locks, electrical devices, etc., are of the most improved pattern. No better indication of the character of the management could be had than the list of trustees, among whom we might recall as particularly well known on the Exchange, James McGee, Alfred M. Hoyt, Alexander E. Orr, Samuel Jacoby, Gustav H. Schwab, Forrest H. Barker, John Sinclair and Wm. A. Nash. Another striking feature is the moderation of the charges. Five dollars a year will rent a compartment with separate keys, large enough to hold a number of securities, policies, bank books, etc., placed in an impregnable vault, located in a building remarkable for its solidity and unusual security from fire, surrounded by every modern safeguard and watched day and night by armed men.***

COTTONSEED OIL AND SOAP ITEMS.

(See page 30 also.)

A charter has been granted to the Purcell Cotton Oil Co., in Purcell, Oklahoma, with a capital of \$50,000. The directors are George F. Johnson, B. J. Love, L. C. Wantland, Thomas McColgan, A. J. Cooper and S. T. Williams. The company will build an oil mill at a cost of \$40,000.

R. R. Griawold, recently of the firm of C. D. Middlebrook & Co., will soon begin the manufacture of laundry and toilet soap on a large scale in Binghamton, N. Y. He will erect a factory three stories in height. The services of A. H. Jones, of Buffalo, who has had considerable experience in soap making,

have been secured by Mr. Griswold. The factory will contain 10,000 feet of floor space.

Contracts for the erection of a cottonseed oil mill have been awarded by Robert Kaye, of Aberdeen, Miss.

T. G. McGraw, of Gaffney, and J. J. Biggerstaff, of Charlotte, N. C., are interested in a movement which is being made to organize a \$25,000 stock company to erect a cottonseed oil mill at Gaffney, S. C.

A soap house of iron and brick, to cost \$10,000, will be built by the Kentucky Refinery Co., of Louisville, Ky. The architect is Fred. Ehrhart.

White Plains, N. Y., March 25.—The "Splendor Manufacturing Company" of New Rochelle filed a certificate of incorporation here to-day. It is to manufacture soap and scouring and cleaning materials. Its capital stock is \$15,000. The company is incorporated for fifty years, with the following directors: Hazen Morse and Harrison T. O. Dunham, of New Rochelle; William H. Douglas and Isaac A. Macy, of New York City, and Henry F. Crosby, of Brooklyn.

THE SUPERIORITY OF BUTTERINE OVER BUTTER.

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Oleomargarine has found a defender no less important than the Massachusetts State Board of Health, and acting on the reports of that body, the Commissioner of State Institutions has substituted it for butter in the bill of fare on which the inmates of his prisons and almshouse live. The commissioner states that he has served "oleo" to those under his charge not merely on the ground of economy, but because it is better than butter of any except the very best grades.

* The mayor can be addressed for information in reference to the new market house which will be built by the city of Sedalia, Mo.

* Charles Phipps, of Kansas City, Mo., a traveling salesman for the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Co., won \$2,000 on the result of the recent Fitzsimmons-Corbett fight. His good fortune unbalanced his mind.

COTTONSEED OIL. WEEKLY REVIEW.

A DULL, DECLINING MARKET,

without stimulating business, has been the chief feature of the week. Crude, even, has shown less activity than the past two weeks, as refiners East and West have been out of the market, except for an occasional car lot at last week's prices, 16c. at Southeast coast and 15½@16c. in the Mississippi Valley for off grades and not strictly prime. Yet there has been no increased offering of crude, York, and old prices have been maintained for both, 20c. being bid and 20½c. asked at the latter market, with this difference keeping buyers and sellers apart, no transactions having been reported. There have been small lots of winter oil sold at 29c., with white and butter quoted nominal at 26@26½c., while the only transactions reported in prime summer yellow were jobbing lots at 23½c., New York, late last week, and at 23c. midweek. Not an exporter has been in the market, unless it may be to fill out old shipments with a few hundred barrels, as there has absolutely been no export demand, so far as new business was concerned. Not even the talk of France advancing its duty on beef fats and cotton oil has had any effect whatever on the

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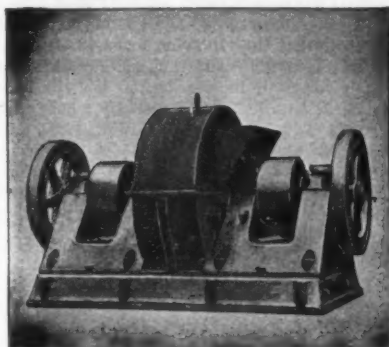
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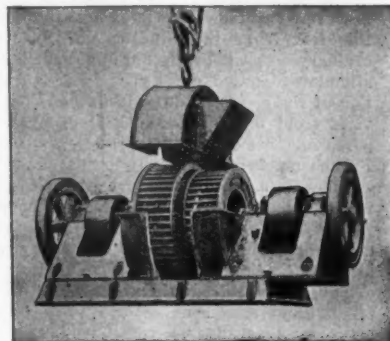
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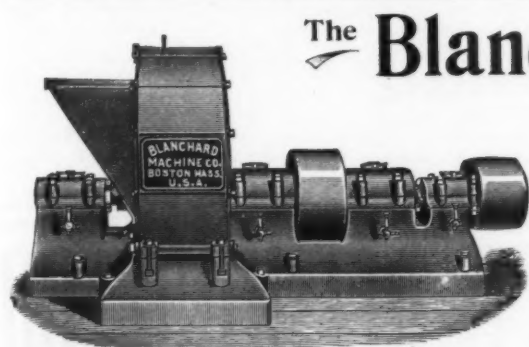
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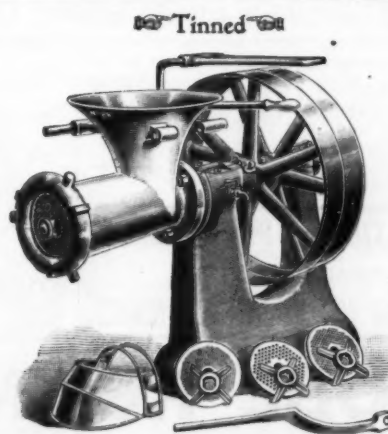
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market for any kind of soap stock, although press reports from the other side are generally credited to the effect that France will retaliate on the United States for its proposed increased tariff on foreign goods. Exporters, however, seem to have paid no attention to this feature of the situation, which, under ordinary conditions, would be sufficient to stimulate demand quite sharply in anticipation of the increased duty. Whether their advice from the other side discredit this proposed increase of duty by France, or whether French markets are utterly indifferent to our supplies, is a conundrum. At all events, notwithstanding, holders here have weakened, in face of this contingency, instead of strengthened their views, as ordinarily under such conditions. At the same time there has been a higher market for lard and a more bullish feeling and sentiment at the West in hog products generally on continued light hog supplies, and it is now admitted that there is a material shortage in the crop. But this latter influence seems to have been as utterly without influence on cotton oil as has been the former. This seems to be the chronic condition into which the market has gotten at the North, while there is no change in the situation, so far as reported, at the South, production continuing as light as of late and at the minimum of the season, if not still further reduced. Stocks, however, are considered to be quite fair, estimates generally agreeing on 75,000 bbls. throughout the Southern States, including port and interior stocks, while in New York we are able to confirm estimates published in our last to the extent of 25,000 bbls., with a possibility of 5,000 additional, which appears to be the outside probability. Of this, the American company is the chief holder, Williams-Flash & Co. the next, Hopkins, Dwight & Co. the third, outside of which we can learn of only a few hundred barrels held by other parties. The Southern company is said to hold no stock whatever in New York, and is estimated to have about 25,000 bbls. mostly at Southern points. As to the holders of the other 50,000 bbls. estimated at the South, no figures or names are given, though they are supposed to be distributed in about the proportion of production among the leading producers. Transactions for the week were:

On Saturday last a tank of crude at Southeast coast, 16c., and 100 bbls. prime summer yellow at New York, 23½c.

On Monday two tanks, Southeast coast, 16c., all to come to New York, with 23½c. asked for prime summer yellow, and no bids whatever.

On Tuesday another tank of crude at the Southeast at 16c., and 400 bbls. winter oil at 29c. in New York, were reported.

On Wednesday 400 prime summer yellow sold in New York at 23c., or one-half off from the last prices, early in the week, with a little more inquiry at the decline, while the leading holders still asked 23½c.

(For Later Report See Page 40.)

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St. Louis	62,000	50,000
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Cincinnati	33,000	27,000
Milwaukee, Wis.	20,000	17,000
Cudahy, Wis.	15,000	16,000
Ottumwa, Iowa	21,000	9,000
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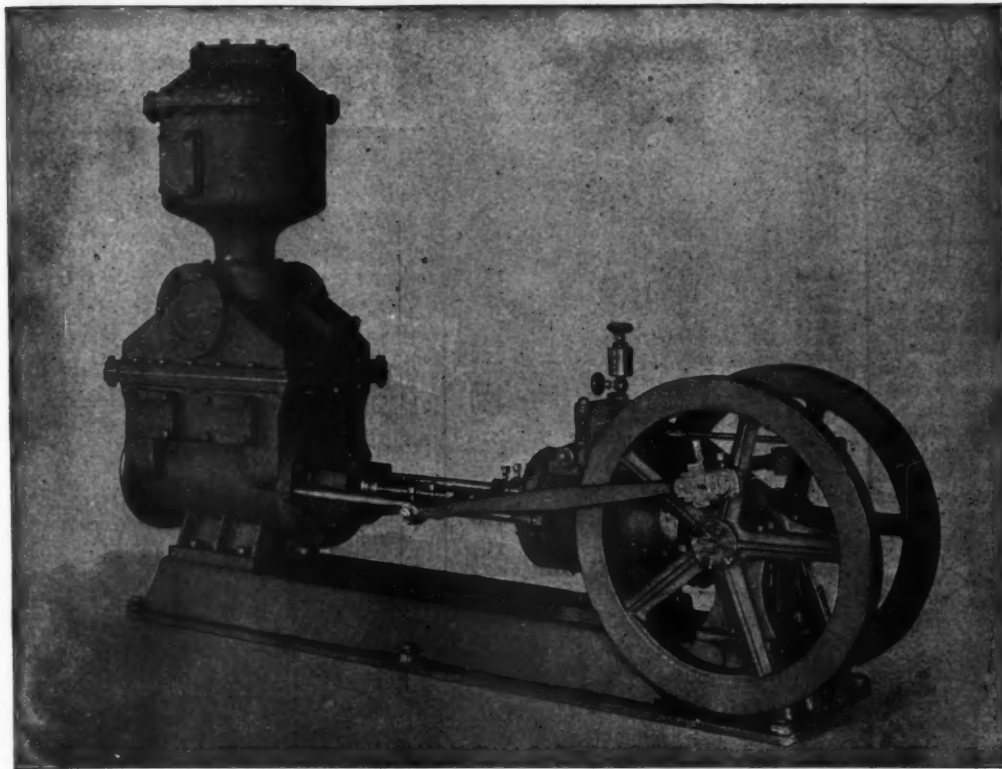
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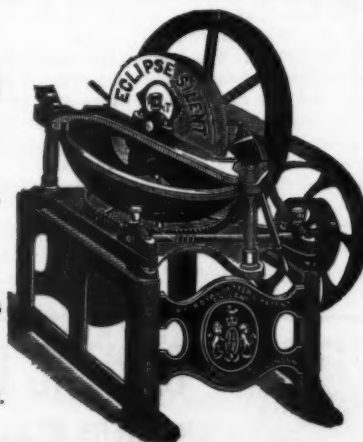
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CHICAGO PROVISION MARKET.

The market for the past week has ruled active and at a lower range of prices, in the neighborhood of \$9 for May pork, \$4.30 for lard and \$4.85 for ribs. There was very free selling by longs, who had a good profit in their deals, and it was only natural that a reaction from the top prices should come. The legitimate situation, barring the exception that the cash demand is not quite as strong as it was a week ago, is unchanged. The receipts of hogs continue way under the estimates and prices are above a profit in packing. Lard has been used as a football by most every one, and from the fact that early in the week there was but little if any cash demand, has been taken as a good excuse to sell it short. And at present there is probably a very large short interest in May lard, and any attempt by the shorts to cover would undoubtedly result in a strong upturn. Another bull argument for lard is the very light average of the hogs that are now being received; they are not the kind that show a big per cent. of lard. Stocks of lard for month of March will probably show a decrease of at least 20,000 tcs., indicating a greater consumptive demand than heretofore. Another thing to be taken into consideration by the investor or speculator is the fact that lard is now from $\frac{1}{2}$ c. to $\frac{3}{4}$ c. under ribs, a condition that was never seen before. When lard was selling at $\frac{1}{4}$ c. over ribs we predicted that they would change places, and ribs be $\frac{1}{4}$ c. premium. Our predictions have been more than realized. We don't advise a straddle now by selling ribs and buying lard, but we do advise to buy lard, any way. The packers undoubtedly own their stocks and are in a position to largely dictate the prices of the speculative articles, and at present they talk bullish and back up their talk by light selling and good buying on all weak spots in the market. The English houses, viz., the Continental and International, have been very heavy buyers of lard and ribs the past day or two. Yesterday they bought over 10,000 tcs. lard.

The market will undoubtedly have weak spots, but feel that on these spots provisions are a comparatively safe purchase.

CASH PROVISIONS.

The cash demand for sweet pickled and dry salted meats has not been quite as good as it was last week; buyers seem to be fairly well supplied for the present. We quote to-day: Sweet pickled hams, 8 to 10 average, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 10 to 12, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 12 to 14, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 14 to 16, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 18 to 20, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; skinned hams, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; clear bellies, 8 to 10 average, 6c.; 10 to 12, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; picnic hams, 5 to 6, 6c.; 7 to 8, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 8 to 10, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; New York shoulders, 10 to 12, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; green hams, 10 to 12, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 12 to 14, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 14 to 16, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 18 to 20, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; skinned hams, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; picnic hams, 5 to 6, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 8 to 10, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; clear bellies, 8 to 10, 6c.; 10 to 12, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; dry salted bellies, 14 to 16, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 16 to 18, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 20, 5c.

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PORK—				
May.....	Open.	High.	Low.	Cloce.
July.....	8.72½	8.90	8.70	8.90
May.....	8.85	8.97½	8.82½	8.97½
LARD—				
May.....	4.22½	4.27½	4.22½	4.27½
July.....	4.32½	4.37½	4.30	4.37½
RIBS—				
May.....	4.72½	4.82½	4.70	4.82½
July.....	4.72½	4.85	4.70	4.85

FRIDAY, MARCH 19.

PORK—				
May.....	8.95	8.97½	8.85	8.95
July.....	9.02½	9.07½	8.92½	9.05
LARD—				
May.....	4.30	4.32½	4.27½	4.30
July.....	4.40	4.42½	4.37½	4.40
RIBS—				
May.....	4.90	4.92½	4.80	4.85
July.....	4.90	4.90	4.82½	4.87½

SATURDAY, MARCH 20.

PORK—				
May.....	8.95	8.97½	8.85	8.85
July.....	9.07½	9.07½	8.97½	8.97½
LARD—				
May.....	4.30	4.32½	4.27½	4.27½
July.....	4.40	4.40	4.37½	4.37½
RIBS—				
May.....	4.87½	4.07½	4.80	4.80
July.....	4.90	4.90	4.80	4.82½

MONDAY, MARCH 22.

PORK—				
May.....	8.80	8.85	8.67½	8.72½
July.....	8.90	8.95	8.80	8.85
LARD—				
May.....	4.25	4.20	4.20	4.20
July.....	4.37½	4.37½	4.30	4.30
RIBS—				
May.....	4.80	4.80	4.70	4.70
July.....	4.80	4.80	4.72½	4.72½

TUESDAY, MARCH 23.

PORK—				
May.....	8.62½	8.77½	8.62½	8.75
July.....	8.75	8.87½	8.75	8.80
LARD—				
May.....	4.15	4.22½	4.12½	4.22½
July.....	4.25	4.27½	4.22½	4.32½
RIBS—				
May.....	4.67½	4.72½	4.65	4.65
July.....	4.70	4.72½	4.67½	4.70

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24.

PORK—				
May.....	8.70	8.80	8.65	8.77½
July.....	8.82½	8.90	8.75	8.87½
LARD—				
May.....	4.20	4.25	4.20	4.25
July.....	4.32½	4.35	4.30	4.35
RIBS—				
May.....	4.65	4.67½	4.60	4.67½
July.....	4.70	4.72½	4.62½	4.72½

TIPS ON THE MARKET.

Mr. N. J. Weil, of W. E. Webbe & Co., says of provisions: The demand for past two days slackened up some on meats on account of dull and lower markets in the pit. The market to-day turned from a weak, heavy market to a strong one, and it should bring orders for product, as buyers are holding off to see how far the decline would go. He advises buying product on all such soft spots, as it will show a good profit later. Demand for heavy sweet pickled hams still continues good and prices hold firm. Dry salt bellies in brisk demand, and prices advanced $\frac{1}{2}$ c. on heavy averages; 18-20 are held $\frac{1}{2}$ c. over May ribs to-day. Sweet pickled picnics very scarce. Very few green meats being offered. Green hams, 16, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 14, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 12 average, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

There is no doubt that the packers are believers in provisions; they own their stocks, and will protect their interests on any breaks. The English concerns, the Continental and International Packing Companies, are especially bullish on lard, owing to the poor quality of the hogs now coming to market. Armour & Co. are large owners of ribs, and will probably pay for them May 1 and job them out to their trade. From present indications we favor the long side on breaks.—Sterling & Hunt.

We have had a good advance in provisions and the reaction from top prices has been only moderate. The hog market has not declined correspondingly with the price of product, and the difference between the two is wider than ever to-day. Certain packers have supported the markets on weak spots. All have been sellers on the strong spots. We would advise taking profits for the present.—J. C. Wood & Co.

Provisions have been holding the attention of all classes of traders for some time. Lard, especially, on account of the large stocks, has caused a good deal of selling on the short

side with the present price of hogs, and the prospects of receipts not becoming large in the next six months, look confidently toward a material upturn. I think next October, from present indications, that short ribs will seem cheap at 6c. per lb. Notwithstanding the large stocks of lard, it is going into consumption rapidly, and when the short sellers conclude to cover they will find very little lard for sale.—J. G. Beazley.

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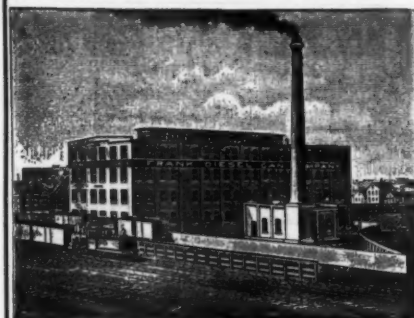
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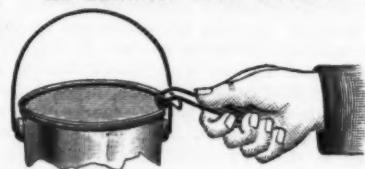
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STEER AND HEIFER BEEF.

By HON. JAMES WILSON AND G. F. CURTISS, B. S. A.

There have been a number of requests to us to reprint the very interesting and instructive report issued some time ago by the Iowa Agricultural College Experiment Station at Ames, in that State, of which, at that time, Prof. James Wilson, now Secretary of Agriculture, was director. Mr. Wilson was assisted in the very excellent and comprehensive report by Mr. C. F. Curtiss, B. S. A., assistant director. We gladly publish it again, as follows:

The heifer is rarely as well fed as the steer, but is sold to local butchers at a low price, or sent East to be sold cheaper than the steer in the same condition. When the heifer is well fed custom consigns her to a lower class than a steer of equal breeding, while heifer beef in some countries sells higher than steer beef. The beef from spayed heifers is popularly supposed to be superior to that of the open heifers, and there is reason to believe that the spayed heifer feeds better. Little has been done along these lines in our country, and nothing so far in our State, that is more interested in beef making than any in the nation.

In order that indications resulting from experimental conditions might be had for the benefit of Iowa farmers, this station bought, in 1892, fifteen grade yearling Shorthorns, five steers and ten heifers, from A. J. Graves, of Ames; they were all from the same sire and as near alike in breeding and development as possible. We had five of the heifers spayed during the fall of that year, and the whole kept in stock condition until Jan. 4, 1893, when they were tied up and all fed the same ration during the experimental period,

that lasted until Dec. 1. The heifers were all thought to be clear of calf when bought, but when the feeding period was far advanced this was found to be a mistake that caused some regret, but that brought facts to our attention well worth recording.

The five steers weighed Sept. 12, 4,005 lb; the five spayed heifers weighed Sept. 12, 3,998 lb; the five open heifers weighed Sept. 12, 3,455 lb.

The average weights of the lots, taken Jan. 3, 4 and 5, were as follows:

The steers, 4,093 lb; the spayed heifers, 3,994 lb; the open heifers, 3,592 lb.

It will be seen that the steers gained 88 lb from Sept. 12 to Jan. 4. The spayed heifers lost 4 lb, and the open heifers gained 147 lb. The cattle were removed from a dry pasture on one farm to a dry pasture on another, which interferes with growth to a certain extent; the spayed heifers were evidently shocked by the operation and lost 4 lb weight. The object to be accomplished between Sept. 12 and Jan. 4 was to get the five heifers that were spayed over the effects of the operation, and keep the three lots under like conditions until the experiment began.

The three lots were tied up for five months until June 1. They were let out twice a week for exercise, from one to two hours on pleasant days; they were watered regularly twice a day. All feed given was weighed to them while they were tied up, and an individual account kept with each animal during this time.

As feeding progressed it became evident that several of the heifers were pregnant. We resolved to note what effect this would have. An open heifer, No. 14 of our private register, calved Feb. 21, and showed a gain for that month of only 5 lb. During the next month while recovering she only gained 30 lb. The next open heifer, No. 13, calved April 21, and at the next monthly weighing showed a loss of 95 lb. During June she only regained 35 lb of this loss, and at the end of July she was only 25 lb heavier than at the end of April, after which her gains were regular and satisfactory. Open heifer No. 1 calved June 21, and at the end of the month showed a loss of 135 lb from the weight at the end of May. She had regained 95 lb at the end of July, and at the end of August was only 30 lb heavier than at the end of May. After this time she gained satisfactorily. Open heifer No. 2 calved July 12, and showed a loss of 55 lb at the end of the month, from the weights at the end of June. At the end of August she weighed the same as at the end of June. Having a calf lost the equivalent two months' feeding in her case.

We have the strange fact to record that three of the spayed heifers had calves. The one known to our records as No. 9 calved March 15, six months after being spayed, and at the end of the month had lost 15 lb from the previous monthly weight, and at the end of April was only 15 lb heavier than at the end of February. No. 10 calved April 4, and at the end of the month weighed 15 lb less than at the beginning. At the end of May she weighed only 40 lb more than at the end of March. No. 6 calved June 6, and at the end of the month had gained 20 lb.

There is an opinion that it is profitable to breed fattening animals, but our experience does not confirm it. We had interesting results from different methods of putting the heifers dry. The first heifer that calved was milked and put dry as soon as possible; it took two weeks to do it, with occasional drawing of the teats afterward. The others were not milked at all, although in most cases the udders were full, indicating good milking qualities. They all dried up promptly, without injury of any kind.

In our next issue we shall print tables showing the amounts and kinds of feed, and gains monthly, for the three lots for the period of eleven months.

ANALYSIS OF FATTY OILS.

At a recent meeting of the Liverpool (England) Pharmaceutical Students' Association, held in that city, Mr. Cowley read a paper on the "Analysis of Fatty oils." Mr. Cowley first referred to the detection of impurities in oils by taste, smell, etc., which methods are good enough in their way, especially as a guide. He next described the composition of fats, and their principal characteristics and properties. The action of reagents upon them was then referred to, and in detail the following points were dealt with: Specific gravity should be taken at 15.5° C., or in the case of solid fats at 100° C., according to some authorities. Melting and solidifying points.—Pohl's, Hager's, Redwood's and the B. P. methods were described. In this section it was mentioned that as the melting point of the fat is uncertain, especially when there is free fatty acid, the solidifying point of the fatty acids obtained by saponification is determined. This is called the "Titer test," and depends upon the fact that when a substance is melting and allowed to cool a point is reached when the temperature rises a few fractions of a degree before it falls again.

The quantitative and qualitative chemical tests which are generally returned along with the foregoing, are the acid, saponification, ether, Helmer, Reichert-Meisel, iodine and acetyl values. Mr. Cowley described how each of these is done. Reference was also made to Maumene's test, Becchi's, and the nitric acid test for cottonseed oil. Replying to points in the discussion, Mr. Cowley said that peanut oil can be detected in olive oil through the precipitation of arachic acid as a lead salt, which is not soluble in ether as oleates are. He considered that the best test for olive oil is undoubtedly Conroy's. In regard to a statement by Mr. Wardleworth that the B. P. test for cod liver oil is unsatisfactory, he agreed and thought it a matter worthy of investigation. He was not aware of any reliable test for peach-kernel oil, and mentioned that hydrocarbon oils are indicated in fatty oils by the lower saponification number of the oils containing them. Mr. H. Wyatt, Jr., added that he had seen a test for peach-kernel oil in an Italian paper. It is to add a saturated solution of potassium bisulphite, when the precipitate of benzoic aldehyde is formed if peach-kernel oil be present.

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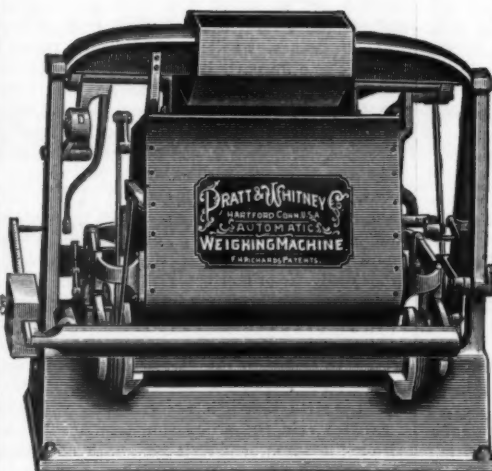
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QUESTION ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE MINISTERS OF AGRICULTURE.

The president, M. Henri Lavertujon, has the floor to address the president of the Cabinet upon the question of the stagnation in the pork trade.

M. Henri Lavertujon—Gentlemen, since the discussion of the agricultural budget on Dec. 10 last, our honorable colleague, Mr. Lemiro, has called the attention of the Minister of Agriculture to the stagnation in the pork trade and to the remedies to apply for same. The Hon. Mr. Meline, in regretting the deplorable situation from which the small culture suffered, established on the hands of the custom house tables, in principle, the fact that the crisis was not derived, as one seemed to believe, from the increased foreign imports, which, in fact, appeared rather to diminish than to increase (this is exactly correct), but from the transient over-production which had as a result the over-flooding of the markets, and principally the over-flooding of the market at La Villette, and Mr. Meline added to this:

You understand that when there is a crisis of any kind at La Villette, there is one in all points of France. A sort of a panic is created which puts down all the prices to reasonable limits, and I make this remark to calm our colleagues a little, so that they may know that these prices are exceptional and do not correspond with the increase of production. At least, the abatement of the crisis which the president has hoped would soon appear, has not come. Two and a half months have passed since this discussion, and the crisis is more acute than ever. From all parts of France we hear raised against us the cry of distress from our small farmers, whose hearts break to see their hogs sell cheaper today than they have ever sold. In fact, in my Department of Haute-Vienne, where the normal price is 50 centimes, the price actually fluctuates between 20 and 30 centimes. It is similar in a number of departments, and especially in those of Central France.

M. Laroche-Joubert—The La Charente is likewise doomed, as the Department of the Middle.

The Count Lanjuinais—The situation is just as bad in the East.

M. Emile Chevallier—The crisis is general.

M. Henri Lavertujon—Yes, I believe that the crisis is general, and that each representative of each of the departments should make the speech here which I make, and the curious fact, in spite of this lowering of meat and food on the hoof, the price of pork has not diminished, especially in Paris.

M. Antoine Babaud-Lacroze—This is an account of the importations from America.

M. Henri Lavertujon—I will get there, my dear colleagues.

He continues: As long as we could have believed that this was only a crisis which would pass by, we could have contented ourselves; but, to-day, instead of abating, it aggravates, and it is our duty to get nearer to the question of looking forth and finding a remedy which will be adapted to the situation, which has become intolerable (very good, very good). You speak of over-production. As far as I am concerned, I cannot accept this explanation. There can be no over-production of an agricultural product when the home consumption absorbs the total of the home production (very good, very good). Why, as I will show you presently, we are actually tributary to the foreigners for 40,000,000 francs yearly for pork products, fresh meats, salt meats, meat products, and lards and greases. Give us, therefore, those 40,000,000 francs; give them to the small farmers, and then you can speak of over-production (very good, very good). I collected from the custom house, statistics of the first three years, 1894, 1895 and 1896, the total of our importations, and, in fact, our exportations, for the six articles which I will enumerate. I will relieve you of the details, and I take only the totals, because I want to go quick. In 1894 those importations amounted to 38,746,000; in 1893, 46,361,000; in 1896, 35,345,000, which makes a total of 122,000,000 francs, while our exportations amounted respectively for the three years to 10,590,000, 5,960,000 and 8,846,000, or a total of 25,000,000 francs; 25,000,000 francs, against 122,000,000 francs. This is a difference in favor of imports of nearly 100,000,000 francs in three years; thus, gentlemen, we buy on an average about 40,000,000 francs per year of live pork, salt pork, sausages, lard, etc., hence our small farmers only ask that we furnish them this supplement, which is needed on account of our consumption (very good, very good, in the center and on the right). Will you tell this brave small farmer, who saves the whole year so laboriously in order to make two ends meet: Hold on, you produce too much; restrain your production. He will answer you, with reason, give me first those 40,000,000 francs which you give to the foreigners; assure me at least the custom of our country, and then I will see whether it is necessary, or whether I can restrain the production (applause from all on the same benches); yet gentlemen, this truth which our farmer reclaims is refused to him, even by those who administer the public offices. I see an advertisement of the supplies which is to be made by the insane asylum at Lesvellec, at the Morbihan. I here read this: American lard, first quality, Wilcox brand, 1,800 kilograms. No other lard but American is admitted (exclamation).

On the 5th of December last there took place at the prison of Clair Vaux an award of 4,000 kilograms of lard; always Wilcox's brand. The other marks were excluded.

Even for the 143d Regiment at Albi, the

ledger indicated greases and fats from the house of Fairbank, as described, and naturally this brand has been adopted. Finally, a French house, which I have not named, because I do not want to give free advertising to the party, wrote to the Military Superintendent at Chalons the following letter on July 16 last, in the middle of the agricultural crisis:

"Dear Sir—The special journals announce two proposals of cooking fats and lards. The first for the camp at Chalons, and the second for the camp at Verdun. In view of the abundance of French lards and fats which encumbers our markets, and for which it is very hard to find an outlet, I permit myself, Mr. Superintendent, to ask you to oblige me by specifying that these awards shall be made in French lard, and with the exclusion of any American brands, which up to now have always been the object of these supplies, since our products are much superior. The military administration could only gain by reserving a proper place, and seriously for French products exclusively."

The Superintendent replied to this: "Well, I have the honor to make known to the house of X that it is not in my power to modify the conditions under which fats and lards are to be admitted. The Minister (Secretary) of War alone can bring about modifications on the ledgers and books which are under his revision."

Well, I ask the Minister of War, or the Minister of the Interior, or the Minister of the Navy, and all the members of the Cabinet to give instructions to the chiefs of their departments to forbid in the future to accept in their books of awards food products which do not emanate from French concerns (applause in the center and on the right). The question is easy to regulate. A simple circular from Gen. Billot to his superintendent, and from Mr. Barthou to the directors of his establishments which apply to the Ministry of the Interior would suffice, if it read as follows:

In the future it will be absolutely forbidden to accept any public awards or proposals for food supplies of foreign origin. Just to the point. This would be well (very good, very good). I honestly believe that this measure, if it were adopted, as I believe it will be, would bring a quick improvement of the actual situation. If this is not sufficient, ways must be found to employ means more energetic, and we must consider whether we cannot revoke the custom laws of 1891, since it is conceded that they do not permit our small farmers to reach the maximum of possible production (very good, very good). A draft of a bill to this effect has been deposited with our honorable colleague, Mr. Jonnart. We do not need to discuss it to-day, and I know that it presents difficulties of different orders, but I demand from the Committee on Public Duties and Customs that they accelerate the examination of said bill, so that they may report in the near future. I demand, likewise, that

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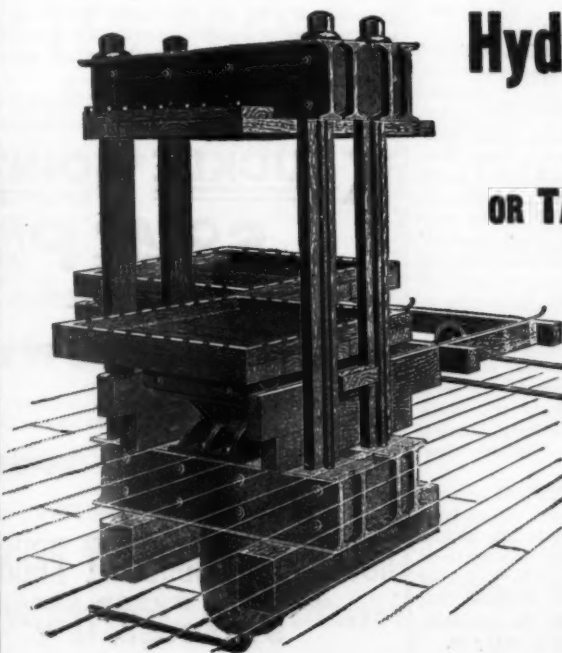
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the president of the Cabinet shall do all in his power to hurry this matter, so that the report may be discussed in open session. Time is pressing. The people of the country impatiently demand a solution (very good, very good).

M. Descubes—We should reduce also the tariffs on freight.

M. Henri Lavertujon—I also want to attract the attention of the Minister of Agriculture to the impossibility in which our farmers are placed to protect themselves against hog cholera. Discussion on this subject continues.

NEXT SESSION—DISCUSSION ABOUT SAME INTERPELLATION AS ABOVE.

The president gives the floor to M. Desfarges, to develop his interpellation on the stagnation of the pork trade.

M. Desfarges—Gentlemen, the observations presented from this tribune in the form of a question to the Secretary of Agriculture, by our honorable colleague, M. Lavertujon, are not sufficient, in the sense that they cannot receive any sanction from the Chamber. He continues on the question of parliamentary law, in which he is several times interrupted.

M. Desfarges, continuing on the subject—I have not, as you can believe, an intention to deliver a philosophical dissertation; the stagnation in the pork trade does not touch either, from far nor from near, the question of a political order. It is very essentially an economical question.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We gladly and as promptly as possible answer all reasonable questions in this column sent to us by our SUBSCRIBERS or ADVERTISERS.

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Persons desiring not to be known as making an inquiry should add a *nom de plume* to their questions. By so doing they will avoid identification in this column. The correct name and address should, however, for the publisher's satisfaction, accompany each request for information.

G. W. S., PHILADELPHIA.—Clear bellies, English, are cleared of all bone, belly trimmed and no seed left in at all. Cut square at both ends, and may average from 12 to 20 lb, a 14 average finding the readiest sale. Must be cut from smooth, solid hogs.

J. McN., SAN FRANCISCO.—Skinned hams are made the same as short cut hams, except that the skin and fat are all removed—that is, fat nearly all removed and skin left on shank only. These hams are taken from large, rough hogs, and will weigh from 18 to 30 lb. (2) A reply to your second query would take up considerable space in this column, more than we can spare. It would be wise for you to secure a copy of our *Pork Packers' Hand Book and Directory*, in which you will find all the information you request, and considerable more of interest and value to you in your business.

RIBS, SCHENECTADY.—Short ribs averaging 50 lb would yield short clear of 48 lb, and also 73 per cent. extra clear, 26 per cent. loin, balance trimmings and spare rib. Back and belly 24 and 21 lb respectively, balance rib and trimmings. Spare ribs will run close to 2 lb average.

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SOAP MAKING.

No. 36.

(Continued from last week.)

BOILING ON STRENGTH OR CLEAR BOILING.—The soap from the salting-out operation is now run into the pan, and then a small quantity of caustic lye at 20° Twaddell run in and the soap boiled on this for three or four hours. During this boil the soap should remain open and a clear lye always visible; if it should not thus present itself, then a little stronger lye should be added. Some soap makers give a preliminary boil with a little water, and thereby close up the soap before they add the caustic to open it again. There can be no doubt that this is the more preferable course. The object of this boil on strength is to complete the saponification and to insure that the soap is quite free from any unsaponified fat. For this purpose it is not advisable to use any stronger lye than is absolutely necessary for the purpose of just opening the soap; any excess is harmful rather than otherwise, as it tends to retard rather than assist their reaction, while the soap exhibits a tendency to be rather caustic. Some attention should be paid to this boil, as it has a material influence on the grain and quality of the finished soap.

After boiling for three to five hours, according to the size of the batch of soap being made, the steam is shut off and the pan of soap covered up and left to settle. This takes from thirty-six hours to three days, according to the amount of soap in the pan. At the end of this time the contents of the pan will have divided into two portions; one of soap at the top, the other of lye—"half-spent lye," it is called. This still contains some caustic soda, although possibly it may have a dark color, especially if poor fats have been used in making the soap; it should be stored in a separate tank, and used in the first boil of a new batch of soap.

The soap is taken away from the lye by any

convenient means and placed in the frames to cool and set. This will take from three days to a week, according to the season of the year and the relative coolness of the frame-room.

The soap as so made is known as curd soap, and it may be made from a number of fats; but what is sold as curd soap is generally made from tallow.

Curd soap, while it possesses excellent detergent properties, is apt to be rather alkaline and sharp, and, therefore, does not suit everybody as a toilet soap.

FITTED SOAPS.—In the manufacture of the most common kinds of domestic soaps the soap, after undergoing the process of boiling on strength and salting out, undergoes a further treatment, the extent of which may be varied according to special requirements and the ideas of the soap maker. The first treatment consists in giving what is known as a cleansing boil; this is done by running the soap into a pan and adding some water and sending steam through; there is then run in a strong brine liquor in just sufficient amount to open the soap, and the boiling is continued with either close or open steam for three or four hours, or even longer, according to the size of the batch of soap, after which the pan is allowed to settle for about twelve hours, when the soap will be found on the top and the brine below, this being run off when the soap is ready for the finishing operation. The cleansing boil helps in the completion of the saponification and, therefore, to the production of a more perfect soap, while it tends to wash out any excess of alkali that the curd soap may

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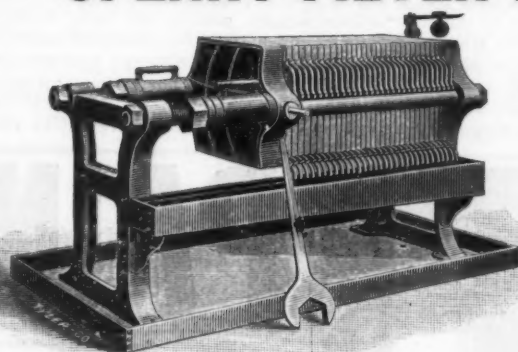
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The next proceeding is to close up the soap again; this is done by placing the soap in the pan, sprinkling on to it a little water, and heating by the close steam coil. Soon the soap loses its granular appearance and becomes more transparent and homogeneous; when this happens this boiling is discontinued and the pan allowed to cool, or the soap may be run into the frames to set, after which it is cut up into slabs and bars and tablets, ready for sale to the public.

Such is a general description of the ordinary process of soap boiling. It is subject to a little modification here and there, according to the fancy of the soap maker and the kind of soap being made and the fats used.

(To be Continued.)

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EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK.

The value of exports for the week ending March 23 (exclusive of specie) was \$8,107,256. For the corresponding week last year, \$6,304,832. The exports include 8,814 gallons lard oil, 355,914 gallons cottonseed oil, 3,484 barrels pork, 1,955 barrels beef, 414 tons beef, 8,136,723 lb cut meats, 211,425 lb butter, 303,330 lb cheese, 5,584,440 lb lard, 908,258 lb tallow.

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Tallow-renderers, soap makers, glue manufacturers, fertilizer manufacturers, and cotton oil manufacturers would do well to make known their wants in this column, which would result in their being placed in immediate correspondence with the leading firms interested in these lines who carefully peruse these notes.

Athens, Ga., is to have one of the largest cottonseed oil mills in that State. The capital to be invested in the new enterprise will be \$50,000, it is reported, and the machinery for the mill will be of the very latest make, and will be perfect in every respect. The new mill will have a crushing capacity of fifty to sixty tons of cottonseed daily. Plans and specifications for the new mill have been drawn and work will be started in the early summer. The Hodgson Cotton Co. is behind this new enterprise.

The E. G. Harris Soap Co. has bought the plant of the Kepford Soap Co., at Newburg, Pa., and has begun manufacturing.

Charles Cameron, of Atlanta, Ga., has completed arrangements for a soap factory in Jacksonville, and started his machine to work in the manufacture of a good quality of soap last Monday morning. At the beginning Mr. Cameron will not employ more than eight or ten hands, but will increase his force as the business becomes greater. He has secured the patronage of many Jacksonville merchants, and will begin filling orders as soon as the soap is made. He will reside in Jacksonville permanently. The building secured for a factory is on Moncrief Spring road, owned by A. Campbell. Mr. Cameron desired to locate nearer the business portion of the city, but was prohibited by the city ordinances.

Messrs. H. Wm. Dopp & Son, of Buffalo, have closed a flattering contract with Mr. Uruchurtu, manager for C. Echeverria & Co., to furnish the machinery for a soap manufacturing plant to be conducted by the firm named in the city of Hermosillo, Mexico. It will be remembered that a recent issue of this paper contained an item relative to Don Uruchurtu's departure from Sonora for the United States, his mission being to purchase soap machinery. The Messrs. Dopp & Son are now engaged in filling that order, which they expect to have completed by the end of the month. Other orders of this firm include the shipment of kettles for Mulheus & Kropff for their soap factories in Germany, and a power remelting crotcher for Prince, Torres & Prince, of Yomez Palacio, Mexico. The firm is also figuring on other contracts.

H. W. Knight & Sons, proprietors of the Moulson Soap Works, Rochester, N. Y., have sold out to Thomas Dransfield.

PACKING HOUSE NOTES.

Manufacturers of machinery and fixtures interested in these notes, should also consult the items under Ice and Refrigeration, and other trade news columns in this paper.

Employers in want of help, and employees in search of positions, and such wanting to dispose of machinery or desiring to purchase same should look at our WANT AND FOR SALE COLUMN on page 46.

Persons contemplating the erection of packing houses or in need of packing house machinery will do well to make their wants known in this column. The foremost firms in the lines mentioned closely peruse the notes on this page, and prospective purchasers of machinery would be placed in immediate communication with them.

* Tacoma, Wash., March 24.—The first beefsteak that ever reached Circle City, Alaska, sold for \$48 a pound a few weeks ago. The steak consisted of a ten pound piece of beef that was slaughtered at Forty-Mile Creek, and was packed at that place and shipped 250 miles to Circle City by Thomas O'Brien. When O'Brien reached the camp the miners turned out in a body to see the steak. It was placed on exhibition, and it attracted as much attention as an eight-legged calf. Everybody wanted a piece of the fresh meat, and the prices offered were such as would have resulted in a mining camp quarrel or bloodshed if it had not been decided to raffle the steak off for the benefit of a hospital.

* Carson City, Nev., March 23.—A deed has been filed with the Elko County Recorder, recently executed in London by the Great Britain and Ireland Land and Cattle Company to Mr. Barr and others of Pittsburgh, Pa., of certain lands located in Clover Valley in Elko County. It conveys to the Nevada Land and Cattle Company about 15,000 acres of land.

* There is no truth in the report that the Louisville (Ky.) Packing Co. would make a permanent reduction in its plant and force of employees. The company is now engaged in increasing the capacity of its ice plant, and the capacity will be seventy-five tons per day. The water from which the ice is frozen is boiled in an immense tank and goes through two filtering processes.

* Work will soon begin on the new building of the Omaha Beef Co. in Danbury, Conn.

* Mr. S. B. Morse, superintendent of the beef department of the Armour Packing Co., of Kansas City, is absent on a tour in which he is visiting ice plants and storage warehouses, gaining new ideas, knowledge of improvements, etc., and will stop at Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Chicago and New York before his return. He has visited, among others, Mr. Fred Haines, of the St. Louis Ice Manufacturing and Cold Storage Co., who was for-



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merly with the Armour Packing Co. in Kansas City. He, with Mr. Hutchison, of the Frick Co., showed Mr. Morse the East St. Louis Plate System and Storage, Hews & Loomis' new plant and other points of interest.

* Mr. Carl Dreier, of the Wilcox Lard and Refining Co., who is now traveling in Europe, writes to us from Rotterdam that the butchers complain of a heavy advance in the price of hogs there.

* Hon. J. H. Brigham, of Ohio, whom President McKinley has appointed to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, is master of the National Grange, as a war veteran, and has figured considerably in Ohio politics. In addition to these qualifications, he is an old friend of the President.

* A meeting was held Tuesday last in Nashville, Tenn., of the live stock breeders of that State, the purpose of the meeting being to perfect plans for a great and detailed live stock exhibit during the Centennial Exposition.

* Meat Inspector John Lippert, of Allegheny, Pa., has inaugurated a crusade against farmers in that State and Ohio who send cattle to be killed than cannot pass inspection. The act prohibiting the sale of bob veal has been repeatedly violated, and now careful watch is being kept upon the farmers, who will be prosecuted if they repeat the offense.

* George W. Martin, of Williams, Ariz., is constructing an engine room in which to place his new engine, lately purchased, to run his sausage mill.

* Swift and Company, who recently acquired the St. Joseph Stock Yards, as noted in this paper at the time, and who propose to erect a large packing house there, have temporarily leased the pork packing house at the stock yards formerly operated by John Moran & Co. The work of placing the Moran house in condition to be operated was begun last week, and in a few days the wheels will begin to revolve.

* A delegation of Chicago merchants, headed by ex-Senator Salomon, went to the capital—Springfield—one day last week to open the campaign against the department stores. The new bill with which the ex-Senator was armed applies only to cities having more than 10,000 inhabitants. Stated briefly, its aim is to prevent merchants from dealing in more than one line of goods in the same building. To gratify merchants in cities like Springfield, Peoria and Joliet the bill permits dealers to carry similar lines of merchandise [such as groceries and meats and clothing and furnishing goods] by paying a license fee of \$25 for each line added to their original business. The bill is so framed, however, that department stores cannot continue, and contains a cast-iron classification of goods usually carried by those concerns. "This bill has been examined and pronounced constitutional," said ex-Senator Salomon,



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"and there is no doubt in my mind that a law will be passed this session to meet this demand." The bill passed the Senate Wednesday.

* The Davenport Packing Co., in Wilbur, Wash., has purchased the butcher business of Lyse Bros.

* A bill has been introduced in the Illinois Assembly by Mr. Carmody, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of lard containing any other ingredient than the "pure fat of healthy swine, unless the tierce or vessels containing such lard shall bear a label stating the ingredients contained in such lard."

* P. L. Flanagan has bought the Smoke Creek property of Thomas Winters, in Eureka, Nev., including all the sheep and cattle. He paid \$70,000 for the property, and is now the sheep king of Nevada.

* A Great Northern train recently made a big slaughter of beef about three miles west of the Benton (Mont.) depot. About fifty head of cattle were killed or maimed by attempting to block traffic at the point mentioned.

* The Alamo Cattle Co., of Fort Worth, Texas, has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$100,000. The directors are Chester A. Snider, Kansas City, Mo.; Munson P. Buel, Chicago; Amos T. Atwater, National Stock Yards of Illinois; A. L. Matlock and Walter M. Daly, Fort Worth.

* The Jacob Ulmer Packing Co., of Pottsville, Pa., Seventh and Callowhill streets, purposes putting in a beef box and storage cellar, for which the plans have already been drawn. The former will have a capacity of over two carloads, while in the basement will

be stored hams, shoulders, bacon and lard. The beef box is expected to be finished and in operation in about five weeks.

AMONG THE RETAILERS.

A. A. & I. S. Guptill, in Berwick, N. H., have dissolved partnership.

Walter S. Burnham, of Boston, is dead. He was in the provision business. He was State grand treasurer of the Knights of Honor.

The firm of Wintamuth & Kinsley, in Tunkhannock, Pa., is dissolved, the latter having purchased the former's interest.

Andy Turner has opened a meat market in Bellefontaine, Ohio.

Judge Dunfield purposes to start a general store and meat market in Columbine, Col. Judge Dunfield is the leading merchant of Northwestern Colorado, and his coming to Columbine is hailed with joy by the natives, whose provisions have run so low that it is claimed there is nothing to be secured in the eating line, except gum boots steeped in watered whisky.

George L. Holly has purchased an interest in the Columbia Meat Market in La Junta, Col. The full firm name is Holly & Thiets.

I. Navarra and Andrew Bodary have opened a meat market in Flat Rock, Mich.

W. E. Dunham has sold his meat market in Auburn, N. Y., to Robert Eggleston, and Joshua Fisher has sold his market to Strong & Co., of Bordino.

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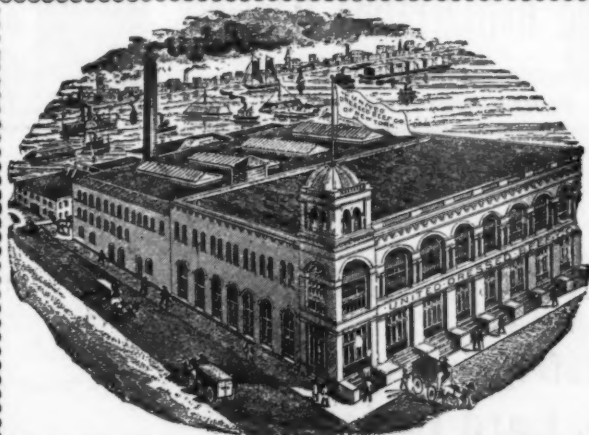
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fresh oysters and 12 pounds of choice butter. The gentlemen in some manner had provided themselves with a key to the front door, through which they entered, and were considerate enough to lock the door again upon taking their departure.

Michael Kaplis and Thomas H. Cross, meat dealers in Detroit, Mich., have had a falling out, and a receiver has been appointed for their business. Cross says that between \$40,000 and \$50,000 have been realized, but that he cannot get a satisfactory understanding.

The Wheeling (W. Va.) Butchers' Association has elected the following officers: President, Charles Hoffmann; vice-president, Chris Kalbitzer; treasurer, B. Gartner; secretary, William Niebur, Jr.; finance committee, Chris Kalbitzer and John Dunkle; board of directors, W. P. Meyer, George Zoeckler, George Weimer, J. C. Medick, Charles Rohig, Chris Kalbitzer, John Dunkle.

A. R. Bullock is pushing the work on his new meat market block in Cambridgeboro, Pa., and hopes to have it ready for occupancy by April 1.

The meat market and provision store of J. G. Comerford, in Rochester, N. Y., was entered by burglars early last Saturday morning, and the thieves got away with \$1.50 in cash and a quantity of merchandise, including a good deal of bread and ham, which they devoured while doing their burglarious work.

William Stevens, the well-known meat merchant, died recently in Hamilton, Ohio.

The butchers and grocers of Springfield, Mass., are rejoicing in the prospect of being able to collect bills by law from that class of individuals which is inclined to be forgetful of such matters. A bill for this purpose has been put before the Legislature, and its promoters have received many assurances that it will become a law. The proposed new law will provide for the collection of debts by installments, as is done in England. After a judgment has been obtained for a debt con-

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tracted for the necessities of life the debtor will be summoned to appear before a police court, where an examination will be made into his financial affairs. If his wages are found to be sufficient to leave something above living expenses, the judge will order a reasonable amount to be paid on the indebtedness in weekly or monthly installments. If these installments are not paid promptly the delinquent is guilty of contempt of court, and subject to imprisonment. The committee appointed by the Springfield branch of the Butchers' and Grocers' Protective Association to influence the passage of the bill consists of H. L. Niles, J. F. Callanan, W. J. McCann, T. E. King and C. A. Wright.

* A contract for a six-ton ice plant has been awarded by Pfoffinger & Co., of Louisville, Ky., who also expect to enlarge their packing plant.

Chinese butchers, says a California exchange, kill no cattle and handle no beef, but they kill hogs and sell nothing but pork to their Chinese customers. It is a well known fact that the almond-eyed Celestial is very partial to pork chops.

—An ice plant is being talked of for Los Angeles, Cal.

ICE AND REFRIGERATION.

Those interested in this subject should not forget to look also at Packers' and Slaughterers' Notes, and other trade news columns in this paper.

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Persons in need of an Ice Machine or Refrigerating Appliances should make their wants known to us. Their publication in this column which is perused by the leading ice machine manufacturers in the country would bring scores of replies.

—An ice plant is to be constructed in Mokelumne Hill, Cal.

—The ice factory in Redlands, Cal., is turning out about eighty-tons of the congealed moisture every day.

—John Strober, the Jackson (Cal.) brewer, is putting in a big ice plant.

—The addition built to the main brewery building in Vancouver, Wash., has been completed and the machinery for the ice plant has been put in. Further extensive improvements in the way of new machinery will also be made this season to double the present capacity of the brewery plant.

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THE LARD TRADE AND THE DRAWBACK TIN PLATE PRIVILEGE.

A meeting of the lard trade and other interests concerned in the removal of the drawback privilege on tin plate as proposed by the Dingley bill was held at the New York Produce Exchange Tuesday. President of the Exchange, Henry D. McCord, occupied the chair, and Joseph H. Thayer, of H. O. Armour & Co., was chosen secretary.

The call for the meeting was signed by the following representative houses:

Central Lard Co., W. J. Wilcox Lard and Refining Co., Jersey City Packing Co., Oil Seeds Pressing Co., Williams & Flash Co., Eastmans Co. of New York, John Cinnamon, Boyce & Hartshorne, Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling Co., Holt & Co., United Oil Co., Rohe & Bro., N. K. Fairbank Co., Whitman Bros., Fowler Bros., Ltd., Josiah Macy's Sons, Nelson Morris & Co., C. F. Coffin, P. M. Mills-paugh, Kuhne & Libby, John A. Casey, Paterson, Downing & Co., Harris & Holmes, Bartram Bros., Austin, Nichols & Co., New York Biscuit Co., D. P. Cruikshank, Occidental Oil Co., Grindall & Andresseny, John H. Scheel, Fisk Bros. Refining Co., A. B. Gibbs, R. C. Williams & Co., H. J. Haynes & Lealy, H. Crowe & Co., Goshen Mfg. Co., Lestrade Bros., Columbia Oil Co. of New York, F. V. Boyd & Co., McIntyre & Wardwell, C. H. Benedict.

E. S. Whitman, of Whitman Bros., offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Tariff bill recently introduced in the House of Representatives by the Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, not only increases duty on foreign tin plates from 12-10 cents per pound to 1 1/2 cents per pound, but in addition prohibits the allowance, or payment of drawback, when such tin plates are re-exported from the United States in the form of tin packages; and,

Whereas, The universally accepted legislative principle that duties levied on imports should not act as a tax on exports would be violated by this proposed discrimination; and,

Whereas, Said Tariff bill reproduces Section 9, the bonded manufacturing warehouse law of the Tariff act of Aug. 26, 1894, which permits the transfer into bonded factories of all foreign materials, including foreign tin plate free of duty to be used in manufacturing articles for exportation to foreign countries; and,

Whereas, Said bonded manufacturing warehouse law imposes conditions and restrictions which can only be complied with by the large refiners of oil, and packers of lard and meats, and would enable them to monopolize the export business now transacted by the smaller refiners and packers; and,

Whereas, Foreign packers are not restricted in the proposed Tariff bill from using our general customs bonded warehouses to export therefrom, free of duty, canned goods which come into direct competition with similar domestic canned goods offered for exportation to buyers for foreign account resident in the United States; and,

Whereas, Canned fruits, vegetables, fish, lard, butter, biscuits, condensed milk, edible oils, turpentine, blacking and many other articles of domestic growth and production are now sold in foreign markets in open competition with like articles packed in Canada, Germany, France, Australia and Great Britain, where tin plate, if not absolutely free of duty

in all of said countries, is at least free for use in the export trade under reasonable conditions; and,

Whereas, The effect of this proposed discrimination against American canned products not controlled by large corporations would have a direct tendency to compel American canners to surrender a large percentage of their trade to foreign competitors. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the New York Produce Exchange, That the proposed discrimination in the pending Tariff bill against American canners, merits our unqualified disapproval, and that it is our deliberate judgment that if finally enacted into law, irreparable injury will be inflicted on the export trade in American products and thousands of American workmen will be deprived of honest employment.

In seconding the resolutions, Mr. S. A. Condict, of the Central Lard Co., made an explanation of the continued need of the drawback as affecting the canned goods trade.

Mr. Charles Rabadan followed with a brief outline of the export conditions, and the following-named committee was appointed to present the resolutions at Washington and to have power to take any further steps necessary to secure the continuance of the drawback—S. A. Condict, J. B. Bartram and C. Rabadan.

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** The Retail Butchers' Protective Association had a full attendance at its usual fortnightly meeting on Monday evening last, and was very enthusiastic over the subject of rendering its own fat. Several members present offered to give their fat for one year gratis to help make the project a success. A decision was, however, not arrived at, as the canvass of the trade was not completed. The ice business was also laid over.

** The extent of the wholesale trade of Gerzog & Rosenberg has so much increased that they have made extensive alterations on their premises, 470 Grand street, New York City, doing away completely with the retail branch of the business.

** N. H. Snyder, of 231 Fulton street, is daily receiving fine fresh Philadelphia veal and sweetbreads, and selling them at greatly reduced prices.

** R. S. Munson, of Whitestone, L. I., has obtained the government contract to supply the fort at Willett's Point, L. I., with fresh beef for six months.

** Charley Groll is now doing a large brine beef business, and any butcher wishing to buy or sell brine beef are invited to give him a call, or telephone, when they will be waited upon at once.

** The Jamaica, L. I., beef houses report trade very quiet, demand poor, and only Kansas City meat selling.

** Charley Brown, manager of Swift Bros., Flushing, L. I., reports a slow demand for meats, but says that cash payments are better this last fortnight than they have been since the new year.

** Michael Englert, provision dealer at 35 Delancey street, former of Forsyth, confessed judgment Saturday last to Ege & Otis for \$1,209, balance of account. He had been in business eighteen years, and owns the store property, which he hopes to sell when the new East River Bridge comes there.

(See page 40 also.)

AS REGARDS MEAT INSPECTION.

"It is natural enough," observes the New York Journal of Commerce, "that the meat exporters should object to the bother and expense of inspections, but the attitude of foreign nations is such that it is a question whether the export trade would not be killed without such guarantee. Ex-Sec'y Morton's first report advised sweeping the whole thing away, but his later reports were silent on the point and contained evidences of increasing exports. The exports of microscopically inspected pork to countries requiring inspection increased from 8,000,000 pounds in 1893 to 39,000,000 in 1895, and then dropped to 21,000,000 in 1896. The year 1895 was an exceptionally good year for meat exports. Nearly a million specimens of pork were inspected last year and 11,100 contained trichinae. More than 23,000,000 animals of all kinds were inspected at time of slaughter, and 60,000 carcasses were condemned. Eight hundred and nineteen vessels carrying cattle and sheep were inspected as to fittings, space and other accommodations. Forty-five thousand cars in the South were cleaned and disinfected under supervision of officials. Besides the inspection at time of slaughter there was an inspection of animals numbering twelve millions going to abattoirs in other cities, making the whole number of inspections of animals over 35,000,000. The meat inspection stamp was affixed to 3,697,701 packages of beef and over 3,000,000 packages of pork, and there were sealed nearly 12,000 cars containing inspected meat in bulk for shipment to places having Government inspection and elsewhere. The chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry wishes all inter-State shipped meats as well as export meats to be inspected."

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ICE AND REFRIGERATION.

(Continued from page 34.)

—The Board of Directors of the People's Ice Manufacturing Co., in Sumter, S. C., has elected Mr. W. Waites Reese, of Staatsburg, as superintendent, and Mr. W. J. Hutson as assistant superintendent.

—W. W. Murray, manager of the National Ice Co., in Los Angeles, Cal., had a narrow escape recently from a serious accident. He was standing on a ladder splicing a piece of rope, when his coat caught in the line shaft, throwing him against it. Mr. Murray is a heavy man, and his weight saved him from being carried around the shaft and instantly killed, as his clothing gave way and was torn from him. He received bad bruises, but is thankful that he escaped so well.

—Grace Bros. Brewing Co., in Santa Rosa, Cal., is remodeling and enlarging its plant. A ten-ton Linde ice machine has been purchased, and the insulation of the cold storage rooms is about complete.

—E. A. Hopkins has been in Port Angeles, Wis., looking into the advantages for building a cold storage there. Mr. Hopkins is from Mankato, Minn., and represents a large cold storage house there.

—The St. Louis (Mo.) Ice Manufacturing and Cold Storage Co. is enlarging its plant and is to have a modern concern in every respect. Contracts are let for two fifty-ton engines, and the company is working night and day to be able to turn out ice by May 1 next.

—The Mexico Crystal Ice Co. has been incorporated at Mexico, Mo., with a capital stock of \$18,000, by S. R. Moon, Louis Wohlgenuth, Geo. A. Morris, Jr., and others.

—A site has been selected for an artificial ice plant by Mr. Eichelberger, in Florence, Col., to be erected by Denver capitalists. The daily capacity will be thirty tons. Work is to be started at once, and a large cold storage building will be erected in connection with the factory.

—An ice factory will be erected in Arigo, Ky., by the Artificial Ice Co., of Ashland, Ky. The machinery has been purchased.

—The stockholders of the Reading (Pa.) Cold Storage Company at a recent meeting declared a dividend of 7 per cent. on the \$150,000 capital stock of the company. The following directors were elected, the president casting the ballot: C. Q. Guldin, A. J. Brumbach, Dr. W. H. Eck, John H. Printz, J. G. Leinbach, J. A. Strohecker, Geo. O. Rungeon. The latter gentleman was elected treasurer and J. F. Christman secretary. The directors will meet for reorganization April 1 and elect a president.

—The incorporation of the Washington Cooling Co., with capital stock placed at \$500,000, has been applied for by John M. Field, Louis M. Ritchie and Hyman Bowdler-maker, of Washington, D. C., and Charles T. Clark, of New York. The purposes of the company are stated to be the erection of ice and cooling plants, etc.

—The Express Refrigerator Car Co., of Gainesville, Fla., has been granted a charter for the purpose of manufacturing refrigerator cars, patented by A. J. McArthur; capital stock, \$50,000. A. S. Wooley, president; Marcus Endel, vice-president. The directors are A. J. McArthur, W. W. Hampton, Geo. C. Crom, Geo. W. Emery, E. E. Cannon, J. A. Ammon and the two officers.

RECENT PATENTS AND TRADE-MARKS.

PATENTS.

579,301—CENTRIFUGAL LIQUID SEPARATOR. Carl J. Lundstrom, Little Falls, N. Y., assignor to D. H. Burrell & Co., same place. Filed Aug. 24, 1893. Serial No. 483,936. (No model.) Patented in England Aug. 4, 1893, No. 15,843; in Germany Aug. 29, 1893, No. 80,877, and in Sweden Aug. 28, 1893, No. 5,304.

579,367—WATER COOLER AND REFRIGERATOR. John P. Schimmel, Madisonville, Ky., assignor of one-half to John Frederic Heafer, same place. Filed Oct. 12, 1895. Serial No. 565,503. (No model.)

579,444—WEIGHING MACHINE. Francis H. Richards, Hartford, Conn. Filed Oct.

17, 1896. Serial No. 600,199. (No model.) This refers to the Pratt & Whitney weighing machine, whose advertisement will be found elsewhere in "The National Provisioner."

TRADE-MARKS.

20,734—FERTILIZERS. J. J. Turner & Co., Baltimore, Md. Filed Feb. 27, 1897. Essential feature, the word "Excelsior." Used since 1859.

20,720—BUILDING PAPER, METAL ROOFING AND FABRIC ROOFING. The Kansas City Metal Roofing and Corrugating Company, Kansas City, Mo. Filed Jan. 25, 1897. Essential feature, the words "Ark Brand," and a representation of Noah's ark. Used since Nov. 15, 1896.

MONTHLY EXPORTS OF PROVISIONS.

Foreign exports of provisions from leading customs districts of the United States during the month of February, compiled from preliminary reports of the Bureau of Statistics, representing about 99 per cent. of the total of such exports:

	Feb., 1897, Pounds.	Feb., 1896, Pounds.
Bacon	45,528,000	31,181,000
Hams	10,885,000	8,562,000
Pork	5,301,000	5,590,000
Total meats	61,714,000	45,333,000
Lard	41,941,000	25,631,000
Total hog products	103,655,000	70,964,000
Fresh beef	24,448,000	18,320,000
Salted beef	2,418,000	6,730,000
Canned beef	3,412,000	4,385,000
Total beef	30,278,000	29,435,000
Tallow	2,520,000	3,337,000
Butter	1,900,000	1,931,000
Cheese	3,108,000	2,167,000
Imitation butter	431,000	340,000
Oleomargarine oil	7,205,000	7,830,000

Total	149,097,000	116,004,000
Cattle, number	29,401	33,985
Hogs, number	895	5

Total value \$12,409,000 \$12,197,000
—Price Current.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Holyoke.—Annie Navins, groceries and meat, has given a chattel mortgage for \$100.

Hudson.—A chattel mortgage of \$150 given by Kennedy Bros., produce and provisions, to the Boston Loan Company has been discharged.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Manchester.—Philip Voyer, grocer and provisioner, is succeeded by Gagnon & Lemerise.

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Parkville.—Sherman G. Sprague, butcher, is succeeded by William Huff.

East Concord.—S. D. Vance & Co., manufacturers of cheese, have given a chattel mortgage of \$9,000.

OHIO.

Kent.—W. A. Johnson, meat market, has given a real estate mortgage of \$1,553.

Wilmington.—D. W. Terrell, a butcher, has assigned.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Philadelphia.—The firm of Crawley & Kahn, meat, has been dissolved, F. G. Crawley continuing the business.

Clearfield.—A judgment of \$1,006 has been brought against W. B. Carley, of Buchanan & Carley, butchers.

Shamokin.—A judgment of \$500 has been obtained against Valentine Mrowka, of Valentine Mrowka & Bro., butchers.

Williamsport.—A revival judgment for \$500 stands against Hiram Winner, meat market.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Hudson.—A. L. Fritta, a dealer in live stock implements, has given a chattel mortgage for \$525.

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Bennington.—The firm of Sweet & Perry, market, is succeeded by C. D. Sweet.

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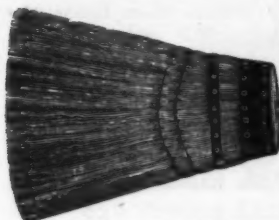
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Edwin F. Swift, speaking for Swift and Company, said he did not think the tax on tin would materially affect the packing interests. "A great deal of tin is already made in this country," said Mr. Swift, "and the duty will not, in my opinion, affect the prices of canned goods. The difference will be so slight that it will scarcely be noticed by consumers."

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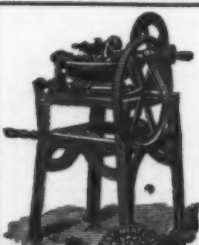
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Lev, Isaac, 41 Lewis; to S. S. Baar... 60
Polzella, Michele, 512 Courtlandt Ave.; to Sabbatino Polzella... 300
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Carlstrand, Mary, 632 Fulton; to C. Carlstrand... 100
Edelstein, L., Maspeth, L. I.; to S. & B. Strauss... 450
Guderian, H., 89 Ralph Ave.; to A. Heckelman... 365
Heron, W. B., 239 Reid Ave.; to J. Bulk, Jr... 100
Loughran, D. & M., 522 6th Ave.; to H. Hamill... 1,000
Mott, A. H., 907 Myrtle Ave.; to M. Levin... 50

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Hamill, H., 522 6th Ave.; to D. & M. Loughran... Non.
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Gross & Mugge, 46 Avenue B; to G. Behnke... 1,200
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Muller, H. C., 2281 7th Ave.; to F. Rust... 1,000
Nichols, C. E.; to G. L. Sourman (Butter Store)... 150
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Tobkin, D. D. M. & L., 225 Rivington and 43 Clinton; to J. Katzman... 120
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Whiteside, Wm., 216 East 8th and 654 Columbus Ave.; to M. Lehman... 100

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Durando, Nicolo, 357 East 113th; to M. d'Angelo... 600
Freeburn, J. J., 796 10th Ave.; to C. Raab (Restaurant)... 1
Goldberg, Moses, 170 Suffolk; to Rose Goldberg... 400
Hertz, Julia, 32 Clinton; to Samuel Hertz... 1
Levin, Hyman, 76 Orchard; to J. Wisseth... 553
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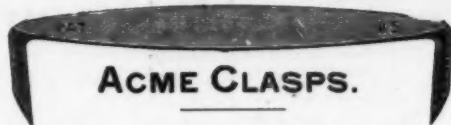
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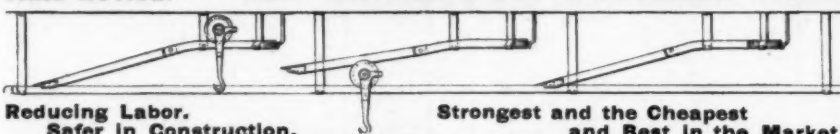
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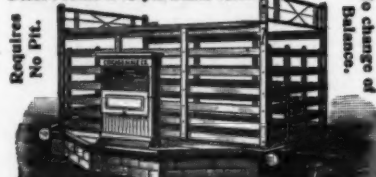
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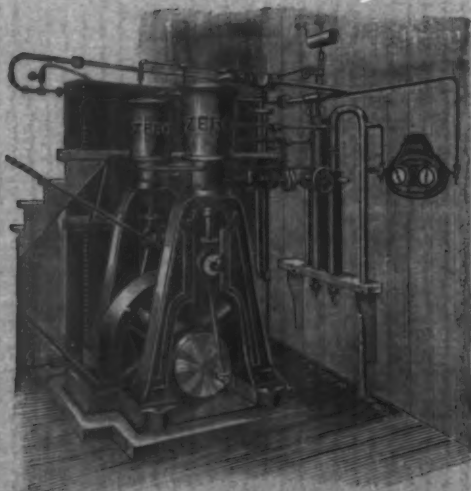
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